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Environmental Concerns Continue to Extend Senior Housing Hearings

A hotly contested proposal to build senior housing along two expanses to the east of Bunn Drive in Princeton Township last Wednesday once again fell under the microscope of zoners, and of the neighbors, private and corporate, who would like to see the plan disappear completely.

The development proposal by applicant Morgan Estates, LLC is a three-building, 96-unit complex that requires a variance before plans move ahead. The variance is needed because the entire 14-acre site sits in two separate zoning districts, one for office use and the other for residential use.

No final decision was made at the meeting, and the Township Zoning Board of Adjustment will postpone the hearing to September 18.

Concerns primarily stem from pre-construction blasting required to build on the rocky terrain, known as the Princeton Ridge, and potential drainage issues as the site slopes toward a nearby residential development, Governors Lane.

Walter Bliss Jr., a Princeton attorney representing Church & Dwight on Thanet Circle, also objected to the application, saying the site is not fit to build on for the aforementioned reasons, in addition to poor-draining silt soil characteristic of the ground composition there. Mr. Bliss also questioned the possible impact of vibrations caused by blasting on surrounding structures, adding that developing the land could cause damage on adjacent properties.

During testimony provided by the applicant's site engineer, Jeffrey Spalt, Mr. Bliss repeatedly referred to a soils and foundation report conducted by the South Bound Brook-based Melick-Tully and Associates, and asked the engineer if the report, which characterized the site as "underlain with clay and clayey silt soils containing various amounts of sand and gravel," was evidence that it was not suited for development. Mr. Spalt responded that any measures taken to build on the property were mostly standard, and that factors like the silt soils would have to be removed from "all" construction projects. He concluded by suggesting that with "appropriate engineering," the site is suited for the applicant's proposal.

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NEW ORLEANS IS THE PLACE TO BE: Director of the Princeton Public Library and newly inaugurated President of the American Library Association (ALA) Leslie Burger (right) met with First Lady Laura Bush in New Orleans last week. The First Lady was a keynote speaker at the American Library Association's Annual Convention where Ms. Burger took over from outgoing ALA President Michael Gorman on Tuesday, June 27.

Librarians Lead the Way to New Orleans

When Leslie Burger was being considered for her job as Director of the Princeton Public Library (PPL), she was interviewed in New Orleans over dinner at Delmonico's. That was in June seven years ago. Ms. Burger returned to New Orleans this June to be inaugurated as the 2006-2007 President of the American Library Association (ALA).

New Orleans rolled out a red carpet for the visiting librarians. "It would be hard to overstate the significance of the convention being in New Orleans at this time," said Ms. Burger. "The city is ready, it is functioning, and the people there want us to come back. We need to give New Orleans all the support we can."

The ALA's annual convention opened on Saturday, June 24, with a keynote address by former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright and closed on Tuesday, June 27, with a presentation by Cokie Roberts, currently the chief congressional analyst for ABC News.

Speakers included noted scholar and librarian Kevin Starr, former State Librarian of California, who spoke about the enduring importance of reading and literacy.

At a press conference on the first day of the convention, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation announced \$12.2 million in grants to help libraries in Louisiana and Mississippi, and the Bush Clinton Katrina Fund announced

a \$5 million grant donation for the repair of up to eight public libraries in the region.

First Lady Laura Bush gave the keynote address at a national town hall meeting on the topic of "School Libraries Work: Rebuilding for Learning," for which local and national government officials, educators, and business leaders joined librarians from across the United States in addressing the critical role school libraries play in restoring learning and reuniting community in times of crisis.

Attendees watched a video showing the destruction of school libraries in the Gulf Coast and reports from children, parents, teachers, and administrators

on the impact of the storms

"We were delighted that Laura Bush took the time to come to the conference," said Ms. Burger on her return to Princeton, Thursday, June 29

Having visited New Orleans recently in April, Ms. Burger reported seeing some progress but that it was still a shock to witness the devastation of Hurricane Katrina firsthand.

"When I was leaving this morning, there was a delegation of hotel management waiting for us. We all ended up in tears because what has happened to this city is so tragic and our being there was so important."

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A Rebirth May Be Underway As Republicans Look Beyond 2006

Is a Republican Renaissance underway in Princeton? Based on recent voting records, it may be further off than some Republicans would like, but at last Wednesday's reorganization meeting of the Republican Association of Princeton (RAP), members outlined objectives in the coming election cycle and weighed the possibility of fielding viable candidates in the coming years.

RAP members were largely emboldened by last year's election, where Tom Pyle and Gordon Bryant, Republican

candidates for Township Committee, received about 45 percent of the vote. The fact that there are no Republicans seeking office in this November's general election ignited a mild debate about whether it is appropriate to run a nominal candidate on a yearly basis, or if a candidate should only be run if an organized and viable campaign is in place.

"It's not embarrassing any more to be a Republican," said Bill Spadea,

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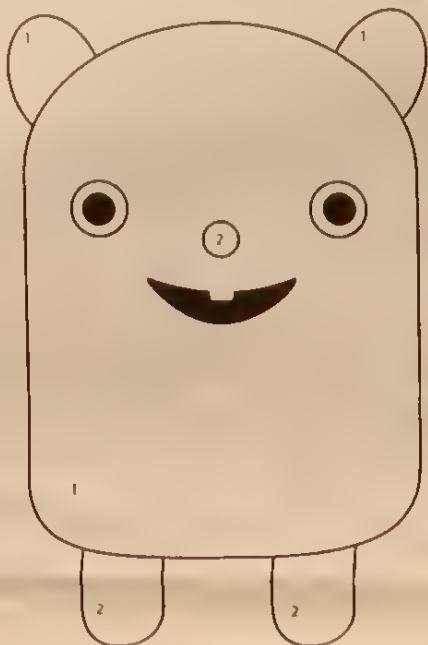
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the Princeton Township resident who made an unsuccessful bid for the state's 12th Congressional District in 2004 against Rep. Rush Holt, "and you don't need to have a candidate every year."

Mr. Spadea spoke to about 30 attendees at Township Hall's Community Room as he warned against candidates looking to "swing for the fence" when putting up a bid for election. He referenced Mr. Pyle's and Mr. Bryant's 2005 campaign and said that momentum could be built locally from there. "You don't need to run a candidate for every single office that's out there — the truth is, we're just not organized enough to do that," he said.

Mr. Spadea also said that major issues — a reduction in taxes and increased community involvement — raised in this year's Democratic primary election were based on issues brought up by Republican candidates in 2005. "We know we're right on the issues," he said.

But Tom Poole, a two-term Republican member of Township Committee from 1985 through 1990, said it could send a "poor signal" to voters if a Republican candidate does not appear on the ballot every year, even if that candidate is in name only.

What was generally agreed upon, however, was that a community campaign to mobilize the party was in order, through mailings and e-mail, and increased membership. Mr. Pyle, who was elected RAP treasurer, said he had received between 40 to 45 responses from residents willing to commit to the group.

Mr. Pyle also emphasized programming as a means to attract potential members, pointing to a recent event at the Nassau Club featuring former Gov. Christine Todd Whitman. He added that events should typically stay regional. "There's a strong sentiment that we try to cultivate programs that are local in nature — potholes and sticks." He added that events should not always focus on the "out-of-town celebrity type."

Mr. Pyle said that contacts made through his 2005 campaign on the Princeton University campus and at Princeton High School should be maintained.

Richard Woodbridge, the

former Township mayor who was also elected RAP vice president, echoed a concern widely expressed in the 2005 campaign that rising property taxes could result in a dissolving middle class: "You lose the blue collar population," he said. Mr. Pyle added that "diversity is a hallmark" of a sustainable community.

Mark Herr, a Great Road resident who was elected RAP president, was not at the meeting, but through a letter, he underlined party building through events, a Web site, and recruitment.

In addition, Bernice Frank, Mark Alexandridis,

Michael Carnevale, and Mr. Bryant, were selected to be RAP directors.

—Matthew Hersh

Editors Note

Due to the holiday weekend, Town Topics press time for the July 5 issue was pushed forward to Friday, June 30, creating a four-day gap in what is normally a week-long overview of Princeton community coverage. In the event of breaking news, please visit www.towntopics.com on Wednesday, July 5.



FIFES AND DRUMS LEAD THE WAY: The "Granny Peace Brigade," marching from New York City to Washington, passed through Princeton on Friday, June 30. (Photo by Linda Arntzenius)

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Topics In Brief A Community Bulletin

New Jersey Future, a statewide research and policy group, awarded **KSS Architects** its Smart Growth Award for their Community-University Partnership with New Jersey City University. The award was presented at the Newark Club in Newark, on Tuesday, June 6. New Jersey Future's Smart Growth Awards honor town officials, developers, contractors, architects, and corporate leaders who adopt smart growth values and design principles to their projects. KSS Architects was awarded the Smart Growth Award for its Community-University Partnership for New Jersey City University's Redevelopment Plan in Jersey City. Through the plan, an abandoned industrial site will be transformed into new academia, housing, and retail space within walking distance of public transportation, allowing both the University and the community to reap the benefits. Additionally, the Princeton architectural firm, **Hillier Architects**, was awarded New Jersey Future's Historic Building Re-use Award for the converting of the former Quarry Street School in Princeton Borough into a 34-unit apartment building. Hillier Architects also received a Smart Growth Award for Participatory Neighborhood Planning in the Camden Parkside Neighborhood Strategic Plan. J. Robert Hillier, the firm's principal, was also honored at the June 6 event at the Newark Club.

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PRINCETON'S SUPERMOMS: Barbara Johnson and Grace Sinden welcomed theatergoers to a special preview screening of the new film "Superman Returns" last week at the Garden Theater. The film has ties to Princeton through Ms. Johnson and Ms. Sinden. The former is the mother of the late Christopher Reeve, who was the iconic Man of Steel in four films from 1978 to 1987. Ms. Sinden's son, Bryan Singer, directed the new movie. A documentary about the making of the film and the history of Superman was shown at the Princeton Public Library on Thursday, June 29.

(Photo by George Vogel)

Princeton Public Library Thanks Supermoms

Thanks to two Princeton "Supermoms," the Princeton Public Library has more money for its teen programs.

Library Director Leslie Burger thanked Barbara Johnson and Grace Sinden for their efforts that led to the benefit preview screening of *Superman Returns* last Tuesday, June 27, at the Garden Theater.

Some 300 ticket holders enjoyed the special preview that brought the latest installment in the Superman saga to Princeton three days before its general release. Fifty percent of the proceeds from each \$30 ticket sale supports teen programs at the library and in the Borough of Princeton.

Ms. Burger spoke before the screening of another Superman-related film, the documentary, *Look Up in the Sky: The Amazing Story of Superman*, which was shown on Thursday, June 29, in the library's community room, an event that the "Supermoms" also helped to realize.

Ms. Johnson and Ms. Sinden attended both the preview screening and the documentary screening.

Grace Sinden's son, Bryan Singer, directed *Superman Returns* and produced the documentary with Kevin Burns. Mr. Singer, who grew up in Princeton Junction, has acknowledged the influence of the 1978 Superman movie starring the late Christopher Reeve, the Princeton native who died in 2004. Mr. Reeve was Ms. Johnson's son.

A member of the Princeton Public Library Foundation Board of Directors, Ms. Johnson served on the board of the Friends of the Library as vice president and president, from 1997 to 2003, and worked to re-form the

organization as construction of the new library building was taking place. A journalist, she retired after 22 years at Town Topics.

TOPICS Of the Town

Not only did Ms. Johnson attend the screening of *Look Up in the Sky*, she also appeared in it.

The Kevin Burns and Bryan Singer-produced documentary followed the evolution of Superman from his beginnings in comic books to his early presence in movies. It explored the several incarnations of Clark Kent and his Kryptonian alter ego as portrayed by George Reeves in the 1950s to Christopher Reeve in the 1980s.

Clips from Max Fleischer cartoon shorts that screened before feature films in movie theaters in the 1940s were shown as was footage from the 1951 movie *Superman and the Mole-Men*, starring George Reeves. These elicited gasps of recognition from the audience on Thursday night along with hoots of affectionate laughter in response to the primitive special effects and cardboard stagings.

While these early films may seem lacking to today's sophisticated audiences, they nonetheless inspired the first Superman TV series.

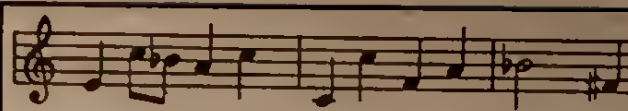
This was the New Jersey debut of the feature-length documentary exploring the evolution of Superman from the early comic books, cartoons, and movies, to more recent television series such as *Lois and Clark* and today's *Smallville*.

It's been twenty years since Superman left the

big screen. With the recent Bryan Singer film, he's back, this time played by Brandon Routh. But who can forget Superman as played by Christopher Reeve?

In his review of the film David Edelstein commented that Routh was at his best when channelling Chris Reeve.

—Linda Arntzenius



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EAGER PRINCETONIANS AWAIT SIGHTING OF NEW SUPERMAN: Film enthusiasts lined up at the Garden Theater last week for a preview of "Superman Returns," three days before the film's general release. Some 300 ticket holders enjoyed the special preview, raising funds for the library's teen programs. The event was organized by Barbara Johnson, Wendy McNell, and Karen Fuchs.

(Photo by George Vogel)

9 Births Reported At Princeton Hospital

The Princeton HealthCare System has reported 9 births to area residents during the week of July 3.

Sons were born to Jennifer Kirkpatrick and Dan Silverman, Princeton, June 22; Pamela and Gary Grund, West Windsor, June 23; Wendy Farrington and Paul Kolano, Princeton, June 25; and Christina and Michael Walden, Princeton, June 27.

Daughters were born to Dina and J. Alexander Christie, Princeton, June 22; Debbie Lee and Po-Shen Loh, Princeton, June 23; Jane Tal-

lon and Jeconiah Jordan, Princeton, June 23; Desiree Galter and Jose Nunez, Princeton Junction, June 25; and Kelly Reilly Forde and Glenn Forde, Lawrenceville, June 27.

Garage Changes Hands, Offers Free Inspections

In celebration of its new ownership, the Union Line Garage at 4440 Route 27 in Princeton has announced that it will offer a free 21-point inspection to customers through September 1. The auto repair shop services both domestic and foreign autos,

specializing in Mercedes cars.

Union Line Garage owner Walt Szeliga has decided to retire, and has taken on two partners — Brett Palmer and Pat Muhler — to run the business. Between them, Mr. Palmer and Mr. Muhler have more than 20 years of experience working on both domestic and foreign cars. They are ASE Master certified and factory trained on multiple brands.

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PARADING FOR PEACE: The Granny Peace Brigade marched through Princeton on Friday, June 30, in protest over the war in Iraq. The group, which is traveling to Washington, D.C., comprises several protest groups: Code Pink New York, Elders for Peace and Justice for the Next 7 Generations, Grandmothers Against the War, Grandmothers for Peace International, Gray Panthers, New York City Raging Grannies, Peace Action New York State, West Side Peace Action, and the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom.

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Former Governor's Eldest Daughter Dies From Fall in Nassau St. Store

Susan Byrne, the oldest daughter of former Gov. Brendan Byrne, died the morning of Tuesday, June 27, at Richard's shoe store on Nassau Street from a fall down a flight of stairs into the store's basement.

The freelance photographer was discovered sometime later in the morning, with Princeton Borough Police cordoning off most of the area surrounding the shop.

Police could not immediately disclose specific details, and early in the investigation, indicated that a "suspicious death" was being examined, according to Lt. David Dudeck. However, foul play has since been ruled out.

Tara Ng, who is a member of the staff at PJ's Pancake House on Nassau Street, said that Ms. Byrne was removed from Richard's and loaded into a black Jeep shortly after 11 p.m.

Bryan Weaver, also part of PJ's wait staff, said that Ms. Byrne had been at the shoe store before opening. Three police cars were on hand when the ambulance arrived, Mr. Weaver said.

Ms. Byrne was an award-winning freelance photographer who had exhibited at local shows. Mr. Byrne told the Star-Ledger that his daughter had been working for real estate agents in the area when she died. She was also known for her fondness for baseball, woodworking, and travel.

She is survived by Mr. Byrne of Short Hills; her mother, Jean Featherly Byrne of Princeton; her step-mother, Ruth Byrne; three brothers, Brendan "Tom" Byrne Jr. of Princeton, Timothy John Byrne of Princeton, and William Keith "Bill" Byrne of Maplewood; and three sisters, Nancy Jean Byrne of Red Bank, Mary Anne Byrne of South Plainfield, and Barbara Stefan of Cohasset, Mass.

A funeral service was held June 30 at the Presbyterian

Church of Lawrenceville. in lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to: SAVE, Friends of Homeless Animals, 701 Mt. Lucas Road, Princeton, NJ 08540; or to Habitat for Humanity of the Trenton Area.

— Matthew Hersh

Blueberry Festival Planned in Kingston

The Kingston Presbyterian Church will host its annual Blueberry Festival on Saturday, July 15 from 6 to 8 p.m. for the Kingston community and neighbors. The Festival will be held on the church lawn or, in case of rain, inside in the Assembly Room. All are welcome.

Fresh blueberries, a wide variety of homemade blueberry desserts, ice cream, and beverages will be provided. The event will also feature entertainment by the Kingston Women's Chorus. Organized games are also planned for children.

Other Kingston volunteer groups will be represented at the Festival.

There will be no admission charge, but donations will be accepted.

The Kingston Presbyterian Church is located on Route 27 in Kingston. For more information, call (609) 921-8895.

Princeton Windrows Names New Marketing Director

Christine Dwyer has been appointed marketing director of Princeton Windrows Senior Resort Community. Ms. Dwyer brings more than 25 years of experience in senior living marketing and real estate management to her new position. She will be responsible for overseeing all marketing activities and operations for the community.

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Raffle Earns Big Money Supports School Program

This year's American Red Cross of Central Jersey car raffle raised more than \$181,000.

Joe Villa, of Brooklyn, New York, won the brand new Passion Red 2006 Volvo C70, donated by Volvo Cars of North America and the Long Motor Company.

Money generated by the raffle will help support programs like the School Safety Initiative, which brings Red Cross First Aid and CPR courses to teachers and students in inner cities. Championed by David Long of Long Motor Company, this initiative introduced more than 6,800 children in Trenton to Red Cross training during the 2004-2005 school year. The Red Cross plans to bring this program to New Brunswick schools.

New Principal at Christian School, Wilberforce

The Wilberforce School named Dr. Karen Ristuccia Principal.

Dr. Ristuccia has been in education for more than thirty years. She graduated magna cum laude from Princeton; she has a master's in education; a master of Divinity; and last month she received a doctorate from Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary. For her dissertation, she created a curriculum and teachers' manual for junior high students.

Dr. Ristuccia has a passion for teaching. She and her husband, also a Princeton alum, and a local pastor, started teaching and mentoring Princeton students as campus chaplains. She taught secondary English and History for four years and served as the Head of School of the Westerly Roach Church Learning Center for the last 17 years.

Wilberforce is a classical Christian school in Princeton, offering grades pre-K to fourth. It plans to add a grade a year until grade twelve. Wilberforce combines a classical approach to learning with a Christian worldview, exploring and applying the implications of the Christian faith to every area of life and study. The school incorporates the ideas of 19th century English educator, Charlotte Mason.

13 Births Reported At Princeton Hospital

The Princeton Health-Care System has reported 13 births to area residents during the week ending June 26.

Sons were born to Jeanie and Chin Kim, Princeton, June 15; Candice and Adam Lenkowsky, Skillman, June 15; Oksana Yuzefovich and Yakov Shkolnikov, Princeton, June 15; Melissa Hilton and Chris Meyers, Princeton, June 17; Jodi and Kevin Mahoney, Princeton, June 17; Mary Thomas and Salil Joseph, Princeton, June 18; Melissa Ortiz, Lawrenceville, June 19; and Joanne Snow and Henry Nagelberg, Lawrenceville, June 21.

Daughters were born to Rebecca and Joseph McLean, Princeton, June 13; Rowena Millward and David Morgan, Princeton, June 16; Carrie and Eric Dalessio, Princeton, June 19; Sukanya Mahadevan and Mahadevan Lakshmanan, Lawrenceville, June 20; and Hairong Yu and Siu Mau, Princeton, June 21.

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— Curt Richmond, Princeton



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— Paul LaMarche, Ewing



"I would have to think about who today's superheroes are but Superman is head and shoulders above anyone today that I can think of as a superhero to my age cohort."

— Vicky Bergman, Princeton



"He obviously rates much better than any of the superheroes that are around today and that is why we are all here to observe him."

— Marvin Reed, Princeton

Cleveland Lane and Borough Hope to Steer Round a Problem

Roundabouts are the buzz around town. First proposed by two Township consultants in fall 2005 as one of several possible remedies to deal with increased truck traffic and high speeds along Route 206, a smaller version of a similar configuration could be used in a \$500,000 rehabilitation effort for Cleveland Lane.

Last Tuesday Princeton Borough Council entertained an update from several residents and the Borough Engineer Carl Peters on how to improve the roadway. The Borough has been eyeing a general reconstruction of pitted and pockmarked Cleveland Lane, eventually sparking a neighborhood conversation about traffic calming. "We expected it was something the neighbors wanted to talk about," Mr. Peters said in an interview Thursday, adding that because of the volume of traffic on Cleveland, it was

something the Borough was willing to examine, particularly between Lafayette and Elm roads.

Mr. Peters said traffic on Cleveland is a particular problem in the evening rush hour with heavy use by automobiles leaving town and crossing Elm Road on to Rosedale Road. In the morning, he added, cars coming into Princeton are more inclined to make a right onto Elm off Rosedale, and turn left on to Hodge Road, because there is a dedicated left-only turn lane at the Hodge/Elm traffic signal.

Proposed roundabouts of dimensions similar to the configuration on Faculty Road near the parking hub at the southern end of the Princeton University campus would be located at the Cleveland Lane intersections at Lafayette Road and Library Place,

where Cleveland takes a significant curve to the north.

Hodge Road, which runs parallel to Cleveland to the south, also has a series of speed humps. However, the general perception of these devices has changed since the Borough installed the ones on Hodge and on Mercer Street.

"We try to keep those speed humps away from those curvilinear roads," Mr. Peters said. "Traffic volumes are too high at certain points of Cleveland Lane to put speed humps in. The ones we put in on Mercer Street we would not be able to do today."

Mr. Peters added that the needs of emergency vehicles would also make the roundabout option more compelling.

The Borough is seeking \$300,000 in state funding for the project.

Related road reconstruction concerns Cleveland between Library Place and Route 206. Curbing will be installed only on the north side for the remainder of the roadway.

At the Tuesday, June 27 hearing before Borough Council, Nancy Greenspan, a resident of Cleveland Lane, encouraged the Borough to install the stone curbing, saying that a majority of neighbors had expressed the same sentiment.

The reconstruction plan is still in the planning stages, Mr. Peters, said, with Council slated to revisit the issue in a coming session.

— Matthew Hersh



GRANNIES ON PARADE: Susan Johnson of Doylestown (left) with Betty Brassell of New York City protesting the war in Iraq on Friday, June 30, in Princeton. Ms. Brassell, who is 76, is marching to Washington, D.C. with the "Granny Peace Brigade." Ms. Brassell was one of eighteen women arrested on October 17, 2005, after trying to enlist in the United States Army. Finding the recruiting center door locked, the "grannies" read a statement, sang a protest song and sat down. When they refused to leave, they were arrested and charged with disorderly conduct. "I hope some day that our humanity will surpass our technical advances so we could learn to live in peace," said Ms. Brassell.

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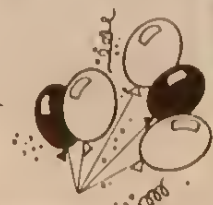
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WHAT A BLAST: Approximately 400 runners and walkers participated in the second annual ETS Firecracker 5K, held in Princeton last Tuesday evening, June 27. More than \$20,000 was raised to support programs at the YWCA and the Princeton Regional Chamber of Commerce Foundation. Mercer County Executive Brian Hughes, center, was on hand to start the race. With him are Micky Weyeneth, president of the YWCA Board of Directors and ETS employee, 5K organizer Jerry Fennelly, YWCA Princeton CEO Judy Hutton, and YWCA Development Director Diantha Allenby.

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The back-and-forth between Mr. Spalt and Mr. Bliss was often contentious, leading to Mr. Bliss's assertion that Mr. Spalt's interpretation of the Melick-Tully report was reason to believe the engineer was not an appropriate expert witness. "I have a witness who is presented to be an expert, but is not," he said.

Zoning Board Chairman Carlos Rodrigues said the authors of the report should be brought in to testify at the September 18 extension hearing.

Governors Lane residents essentially kept quiet during the hearing, but have recently retained attorney David Orron of Cranbury to represent them. In a June 28 communication to Robert Casey, Zoning Board attorney, Mr. Orron said that when Township Committee identified and rezoned nearby expanses that would allow for senior housing, like the 20-acre site on the western side of Bunn where developer K. Hovnanian recently received a nod to build 140 age-restricted units, it "drew a line beyond which that use was deemed unsuitable."

The letter goes on to point out that "significant" differences exist between the two properties and the projects.

In addition, in a letter filed with the Zoning Board, also on June 28, James Waltman, the executive director of the Stony Brook Millstone Watershed Association, condemned any development along the Ridge, citing stormwater management concerns, "regionally important" forested habitat, and potential impact on wetlands and vernal pools. The Watershed has objected to Ridge development in the past.

The central New Jersey chapter of Sierra Club has also gone on the record opposing the application.

—Matthew Hersh

Eyes Wide Open Exhibit Arrives in Princeton

The impact of the Iraq War on New Jersey is the focus of the exhibit "Eyes Wide Open: New Jersey," which was on display during the Peace is Patriotic event on June 30, at Memorial Park in front of Princeton Borough Hall and on July 1 at Palmer Square.

The exhibit featured over 43 pairs of combat boots memorializing the U.S. soldiers from New Jersey who have fallen in the Iraq War. A display of shoes represents the thousands of Iraqi civilian casualties. The American Friends Service Committee (AFSC), an international social justice organization, originally created "Eyes Wide Open: The Human Cost of War" to illustrate the lives lost in the war in Iraq. The national exhibit now includes more than 2,380 pairs of combat boots representing U.S. military casualties, along with over 3,000 pairs of shoes memorializing a small fraction of the Iraqi civilians who have been killed in the conflict.

Since 1917, the American Friends Service Committee has championed the dignity and worth of every individual, the sanctity of human life, and humanity's collective responsibility to promote peace. For almost 90 years of work in war zones on four continents, the AFSC has gained an intimate knowledge of the costs and horrors of war. When the exhibit was unveiled by the Chicago office in January 2004, there were 504 pairs of boots symbolizing the lost lives of U.S. soldiers in Iraq. With each passing week, each stop in a new city, more pairs of boots are added to represent the newly fallen. Alongside the boots stands a wall of remembrance with the names of the more than 11,000 Iraqi civilians who have been killed since the U.S.-led invasion.

As the exhibit makes its appearances across the country, families and friends come to grieve for lost loved ones and strangers honor those who gave their lives to a cause far from home. At each stop, person after person leaves

notes of commemoration, photographs of lost soldiers, identification tags, flowers, and American flags to accompany the boots on their journey.

The human cost of the Iraq War grows every day. This traveling exhibit is a memorial to those who have fallen and a witness to the American Friends Service Committee's belief that no war can justify its human cost.

Beginner Bird Watching at Mapleton Preserve

The Friends of Princeton Nursery Lands will hold a bird-walk for beginner birders at the Mapleton Preserve in Kingston on Saturday, July 15 at 9:00 a.m. Birders will learn keys for successful bird identification. The group will meet at the new headquarters for the D&R Canal State Park. The event is free. Bring binoculars and bird books, if you have them.

To get there, take Rte. 27 to Academy St. in Kingston. Academy becomes Mapleton Road. The park is on the left, marked by a brown sign for the D&R Canal State Park. For more information, contact Karen Linder in the evening at: (609) 683-0483.

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ALL IN A DAY'S WORK



Truostar Urian (right) with his father Bill Urian

(Photo by Linda Amtenius)

People ask volunteer fireman Truostar Urian about his name all the time. "When I was born," he tells them, "my parents, Bill and Tanja, lived up on Skyline Drive in Palo Alto, California. They had lots of Native American friends and they gave me a Navajo name, Squanie, which translates as 'truthful morning starlight,' but everyone's always called me Truostar."

Mr. Urian, who graduated from Princeton High School just six years ago, is already a Lieutenant at Mercer Engine No. 3 on Witherspoon Street. His worst call was to the home of a fellow student whose father died as the result of the fire. He also has a vivid memory of his first day as a junior volunteer when his Dad woke him in the wee small hours to respond to a fire in a large Princeton home. When he got there he saw flames shooting eighty feet in the air. Not all calls, thankfully, are nearly so dramatic, as Mr. Urian records here in his own words.

—Linda Amtenius

When I was a freshman at Princeton High School, a junior volunteer fireman program had just started and so I was one of the first juniors to come in at the age of 16. My father is also a member of the fire department and was Captain here. The program is a good experience for kids. As a junior you can do everything except go inside a fire with an air pack on. When I turned 18, I went through fire school — a really good experience. It gives you all the background knowledge that you need: the basics. But once you get through training academy, you find that most of the real training comes from experience with the apparatus and from the older guys.

Just recently, for example, responding to a call, I was in command and sent my crew inside. They found a heavy smoke condition throughout the house but could not find a fire. As soon as I walked in the door, it took only three steps for me to know that the problem was a belt that was burning up on an air conditioning unit. The crew was amazed: How did I know? I saw that he had all gas appliances in there and it smelt like burnt rubber. It's a smell that often occurs in elevator rescues. I knew exactly what it was coming from because I had experienced it before. I told the crew, remember this smell when you go on a call; think about what could have a fan belt that runs a motor. Not many things run like that. It had to be an air-conditioning unit, not a hot water unit or any of the other appliances. So you narrow it down. That's something you are not going to learn at fire school.

Typical Day

At this company we're fortunate in having a lot of guys between the ages of 18 and 22. I'm 25. Almost all of our responding members are in that age group. There's about sixty people on our roster and about twenty who actually respond on calls. There's usually about three or four calls a day. We all have pagers so we don't all have to be here. The calls are so varied. That's what I love about it. You never know. Anytime someone burns toast and they are hooked up to an ADT system, we're gonna get a call. Sometimes people are nervous, they smell gas or smoke and they're not sure what's going on. A lot of times we'll know right away what it is. We'll walk through and check the whole house, and make sure they are comfortable before we leave. That's my job. To make people feel safe. If we're going anywhere and there's a little kid on the side of the road waving at the fire truck, we'll wave back. If we're stopped and kids come up to look at the truck, we don't leave until every kid has had a chance to see inside. The doors are open and anyone is welcome to walk in. I give them a tour of the firehouse anytime. The first thing that everyone asks is where's your fire pole? We have no pole. The State of New Jersey took them all out after an accident. We're very family oriented at this firehouse. Every man here is a Princeton staple, from the son of the owner of Conti's to the son of the owner of Hoagie Haven who just joined recently. Keith Wadsworth, our chief, is the owner of the Flower Market. These guys are around town all the time.

The time of year when we are probably busiest is the first week it gets cold and people's furnaces kick on and they haven't been working all summer, they cause a lot of backfires, a lot of smoke conditions, which are scary. Smoke is the precursor of fire. Smoke detectors are absolutely worth it; carbon monoxide detectors too. Yesterday we were called to an activated fire alarm. There was smoke pouring out of the house caused by the a/c unit, which almost caught fire. The owners are on vacation. If we hadn't been called out that house would have caught fire. We saved that home and they don't even know it. They'll come home and find a broken window-pane with a note from the Princeton Fire Department. Somebody called recently to ask us to come out and shut off his CO meter that had been going off for three days and he didn't call anybody. He said he'd been vomiting for three days. He'd just come home from work and the second he was in the door he was throwing up and had a headache. Luckily he finally called us. One more night in that house and he would have died.

Historic Fire Department

The Princeton Fire Department is the oldest volunteer fire department in the nation. It's tough to prove but we're pretty sure it's the fourth oldest after Benjamin Franklin's Philadelphia, New York City, and Boston. We're the only one that isn't a major city fire department. There's a couple of other companies that say they started around the same time as us but they don't exist anymore because they were dissolved during the war [of Independence]. The station is named for General Hugh Mercer, who was a member. President Woodrow Wilson was a member. There are pictures on the wall of him sending letters home, saying he was sorry to have missed the meeting...funny things like that.

Art Teaching

If you go round the firehouse you'll see lots of my paintings on the walls. I just graduated from The College of New Jersey with a degree in art education. I substitute in the Princeton Regional Schools where my mother is a special education teacher and I get the opportunity to work with her sometimes. That's always fun.

I love people. I love kids. But I really want to be a fulltime fire fighter. I'm applying for a couple of jobs in a couple of different areas: Savannah, Georgia, Plainsboro, all over the place. I hope to stay in Princeton but it's tough to find paid jobs here.



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LITTLEBROOK HELPS: Shown here, fifth graders at Princeton's Littlebrook School gave staff and children of the YWCA Princeton's Child Care Center at Valley Road School nearly 50 neatly labeled packets containing a children's book and a CD of that book recorded by a Littlebrook student.

Littlebrook Fifth Graders Help YWCA Preschoolers

Fifth graders at Princeton's Littlebrook School gave staff and children of the YWCA Princeton's Child Care Center at Valley Road School nearly 50 neatly labeled packets, containing a children's book and a CD of that book recorded by a Littlebrook student.

This is part of Littlebrook's community service learning project. Each grade has a different theme. The fifth grade's theme was literacy. Students chose and donated the books they wanted to record and the three fifth-grade teachers designed the packaging.

The Child Care Center at the Valley Road School is a nursery school and child care facility that provides English-language and social skill development, if needed, so students can enter kindergarten on par with their peers.

PEOPLE



Clare Wiles

Clare Wiles, of Princeton, a forthright relationship with and Stuart Country Day each client family; she main-

School of the Sacred Heart sophomore, won the Prix d'Excellence award from Princeton University.

Each year Princeton area schools select one student to receive this award recognizing outstanding achievement in French. Though usually reserved for juniors or seniors, the University accepted Clare, an AP French language student, as a candidate based on her teacher's recommendation.

Clare will continue developing her language skills with French coursework at Princeton University next year.

Constance Weiler, of Princeton, won the 2006 Distinguished Clinical Service Award from the New Jersey Speech Language Hearing Association.

Weiler's therapy hallmark is Clare Wiles, of Princeton, a forthright relationship with and Stuart Country Day each client family; she main-

tains close and frequent communication with parents, believing that parents must understand their children's speech-language disorders and the rationale for intervention plans, so the children are successful. She invites parents into the therapy room and develops plans that are innovative and individualized.

Katharine Powell of Skillman will perform in the New York City premier of Theresa Rebeck's play, "The Water's Edge." Powell, who currently resides in New York City, is a graduate of Princeton Day School, Brown University, and New York University's Tisch School of Fine Arts.

Three Princeton residents, **Ana Osorio**, **Maria Pirone**, and **Mei-Chang Yang**, were honored at the YWCA's English as a Second Language (ESL) annual Scholars' Awards presentation for their perseverance in learning English.

Originally from Colombia, Osorio spent many years at home with her husband and their four boys. With the children older, she decided to take more time for herself and learn English. "I know it is important because my children were born here," she said. "I want to live here and have a better life. I tried to learn English at other places, but I didn't feel comfortable."

Pirone, who arrived in the U.S. from Italy 50 years ago, had to work immediately to support her husband and family. Now widowed and with grown children, she decided she needed to become more fluent to manage her household alone. "Learning English is very difficult at my age," she said. "But I still try and not give up because I want to be able to write letters to my grandchildren."

Yang arrived from Taiwan with her husband and three children eight months ago. She said it was confusing and frustrating to start a new life here, but after studying English at the YWCA and learning about her new country, they "can feel at home in the United States," she said.



BEFORE THE RAINS CAME: There was a time not long ago when a little water was devoutly to be wished. The scene is the improvised wading pool at the Wilson School plaza and fountain on sunny day in June.

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Police Blotter

A medical office in the 190 block of North Harrison Street was burglarized sometime between 1:45 p.m. on June 22 and 5:40 p.m. June 23. Missing items were reported to include six wall pictures valued at \$100, a potted plant valued at \$80, a wood filing cabinet valued at \$100, three poster prints valued at \$100, a TV stand valued at \$75, and a stress machine computer mouse valued at \$25. Police said there was no sign of forced entry into the premises.

Police have no suspect(s).

On Tuesday, June 27, the Princeton University Department of Public Safety issued a campus safety alert as a result of a robbery that occurred on June 25 at approximately 10:30 p.m. in Palmer Square near the PNC Bank ATM machine. According to police, three juvenile males, described by the victims as African Americans approximately 15 or 16 years of age, approached two females near the ATM machine and demanded money. One of the males was reported to be holding what appeared to be a handgun. After obtaining money from the victims, the suspects fled. The victims were not injured.

The incident is under investigation. Those who may have information about the robbery are asked to contact the Borough Police at (609) 924-4141.

Rescue Report

On Saturday morning, June 24, the Princeton First Aid & Rescue Squad responded for an 80-year-old semi-conscious man. According to reports, the patient had been non-compliant with his diabetes medications and had not eaten in the past 24 hours. The crew found him mumbling incoherently with abnormal vital signs and transported him to the University Medical Center at Princeton (UMCP) for treatment.

Later that afternoon, the Squad responded for a woman who suffered an asthma attack secondary to an anxiety attack. When the EMS crew arrived, the patient was in respiratory distress, sweating and unable to speak in full sentences. Shortly after she was given oxygen and assisted with her inhaler, her conditions improved.

Squad Helps in Trenton Flood Zone

Also on Wednesday, the Squad was dispatched into Trenton to assist with the evacuation of residents in the flood zone. One crew spent seven hours helping to evacuate the Waters Edge Nursing Home, transporting the residents to other local facilities.

The Princeton First Aid & Rescue Squad is a non-profit, volunteer-run emergency services organization. For more information on membership and donation opportunities, visit www.pfars.org or call 924-3338.

Local Fare

from Princeton's kitchens

Melissa Bilyeu
Office Manager

Awesome Potato Salad

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2 lb yukon gold potatoes
3 tblsp cider vinegar
1 tsp salt
1/2 cup chopped white onion
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3/4 cup mayonnaise
spoonful of mustard



Cover potatoes with cold salted water by 2 inches in a 3-quart saucepan and simmer uncovered until just tender, 15 to 25 minutes, depending on size of potatoes. Drain in a colander and cool slightly.

While potatoes are simmering, whisk together vinegar and salt in a large bowl until salt is dissolved.

When potatoes are just cool enough to handle, cut into 1-inch pieces, adding to vinegar mixture as cut, and toss gently with a rubber spatula to combine. Let cool to room temperature, then add remaining ingredients and salt and pepper to taste and stir gently to combine. Serve at room temperature or chilled.

More to come... Watch this space weekly for Princeton's favorite recipes... Provided by Robin Broomer, Town Topics

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IT RAINED ON THEIR PARADE: But it didn't dampen the spirits of Princeton firefighters at the Fire Department Review on Friday, June 28. After the parade was halted at the Carousel, the awards ceremony was rerouted from Borough Hall to Engine 63 on Witherspoon Street, where Dan Brown, Bill Waterson, and Garrett Brown were honored as Firefighters of the Year.

(Photo by E.J. Greenblatt)



VICTORY!: No doubt about it, Craig Roughgaden is pumped. His company, Engine No. 1, just won for Best Truck during the annual Fire Department Review.

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Librarians

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New President

Ms. Burger took over from outgoing ALA President Michael Gorman on Tuesday, June 27.

"I am humbled by this tremendous honor and look forward to serving the members of the ALA," said Ms. Burger at the inauguration. "During the last year I've met with members from many different kinds of libraries across the country who shared their ideas of how ALA can help every library to transform the communities they serve. I know that by working together we can make every library in the country better than it is today."

Ms. Burger is now the chief elected officer for the world's oldest and largest library organization. Founded in 1876, the ALA has more than 64,000 members.

Before joining Princeton Public Library, Ms. Burger, worked at the New Jersey State Library and the Connecticut State Library in the areas of planning and library development.

She has a bachelor's degree from Southern Connecticut State College, a master's degree in library science from the University of Maryland-College Park and a master's in organizational behavior from the University of Hartford. She founded her own consulting firm, Library Development

Solutions, in 1991, and has worked with more than 100 libraries of all sizes and types on planning, space needs assessments, evaluation, and program implementation.

Deciding for New Orleans

As early as last October, the ALA had to decide whether to meet in New Orleans or switch to another location. Other conventions were deciding not to risk going to the city on the grounds that it might not be ready, said Ms. Burger.

"Some say librarians are crazy but by November we had made a commitment to go."

The ALA sent a team down last October and found that the hotel block where they were scheduled to stay was pretty much intact. Then they worked with The Ernest N. Morial Convention Center and the city's health department to receive the expected 18,000 visitors.

ALA's outgoing president Michael Gorman said he was proud of the association's decision to keep the conference in New Orleans. He announced that ALA members, Friends groups, and corporations had contributed more than \$370,000 in funds for the recovery of Gulf Coast libraries and presented checks to several library associations in the region at the opening session.

"The decision [to hold the convention] has been transformational for the ALA and for the city of New Orleans," said Ms. Burger.

The meeting was expected to contribute more than \$20 million to the local economy. In a city where the tourism industry is estimated to provide 35 percent of the operating budget, this was no small accomplishment.

In addition to spending millions of dollars, some 900 convention volunteers worked "doing extreme makeovers" in libraries and in schools, knocking down walls, putting up sheet rock, and cleaning up. Eight of the city's 13 public libraries had suffered water and other storm damage.

Librarians signed up for more than 22 volunteer projects to assist Habitat for Humanity, Common Ground, and other community-building efforts and to contribute to the renovation of the interior of an historic Carnegie library branch of the New Orleans Public Library.

"I've never been prouder of being a librarian," said Ms. Burger.

Other groups are scheduled to follow the librarians and hold their gatherings in the Ernest N. Morial Center, where only months ago thousands of the city's dispossessed sought refuge from the storm. Ms. Burger is delighted to point out that librarians led the way.

For information on the American Library Association's hurricane relief efforts, visit www.ala.org/katrina.

—Linda Arntzenius



FORGING THE FUTURE FOR LIBRARIES IN NEW ORLEANS: The American Library Association's Annual Convention opened in New Orleans on Saturday, June 24, with a keynote address by former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright (right). Ms. Albright shared the podium with Director of the Princeton Public Library Leslie Burger. "One of the most amazing aspects of this conference has been the opportunity to spend time working shoulder to shoulder with our library colleagues and others working to ensure our public, school and academic libraries are restored to the people of New Orleans," said Ms. Burger who spoke of the warm welcome the librarians received in New Orleans. "There is no other place like New Orleans, and I hope many conventions and visitors will come soon to enjoy all the city has to offer."

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I also want to thank the honorary chairs, Don and Joyce Hofmann. A huge "thanks" is also owed to the local area tennis clubs, including Cherry Valley C.C., Bedens Brook, Pretty Brook Tennis, Princeton Racquet Club, Princeton Indoor, Nassau Racquet Club, Hopewell Valley Tennis Club, Pennsbury Racquet Club, and Winning Touch Tennis.

KIMBERLY VINE
Tennis Tournament Chair
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Choir Reunion Participant Applauds Organizers Who Made Event Possible

To The Editor:

I was saddened to see criticism of the Princeton High School Choir reunion. I thoroughly enjoyed participating in the event and feel great gratitude for those who pulled it together. Finding alumni is no easy task. I live in Princeton and I know some other alums who do so as well, yet there is no reason the organizers would know that fact. Yet they found us. I think they did a great job reaching out to alumni organizations, placing articles in the papers, and making folks aware of the event. I think if people want to reconnect with their friends from years past they have a responsibility to make that happen, not wait for someone to find them.

The PHS Choir was the first place that I felt my participation in a group activity truly resulted in something greater than I could achieve on my own. It was also the one place where I was given specific, timely, and useful coaching and direction that led to immediate improvements in my performance. Complaints about who should be honored and in what degree belie the value of this fantastic communal effort. Singing wonderful music with folks 20 years older than me and others 20 years younger was an incredible experience. My only disappointment is that they are going to make me wait so many years until I can do it again.

DAVID GRAY
Heather Lane

Supporters of PHS Post Prom Party Thanked for Causing a "Special Night"

To the Editor:

We would like to express our sincere thanks to the Princeton and Cranbury communities for helping to make this year's Princeton High School Post Prom Party a huge success. More than 400 students attended the "Fire and Ice" festivities on Friday night, May 19 after the Junior-Senior prom, and a great time was had by all. Because of the generosity of the parents and community at large, we raised close to \$10,000 and were able to attain our goal of providing a safe and fun party for the students.

In particular we would like to thank the following local businesses, corporations, and organizations for their contributions of money or gifts in kind: Abel Bagel, Alliance Homes, American Sew and Vac, ARI Products, Bath and Body Works, Chazzmatazz Formal Wear, Charmed by Claire, Chestnut Tree Books, Chuck's Spring Street Cafe, A. S. Cole and Sons, Corner House, Cranbury Arts Council, Cranbury Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, Cranbury Lions Club, Cranbury PTO, Cranbury Township, Fedora Cafe, Forest Jewelers, Fowler's Gulf, George's Roasters and Ribs, Halo Farms, Hoagie Haven, Iano's Restaurant, Image Photo, Jordan's, Kitchen Kapers, Kopp's Cycle Shop, Main Street, Mandalay Trading Company, McCaffrey's, Metropolis, Micawber Books, Mystique, Nail Spa, N.Y. Sports Club, Olive's, P.A.B Local No. 130, Panera, The Papery of Princeton, Piccadilly Pizza Star, A Place to Bead, Premier Video, Princeton University Store, Salty Dog, Small World Coffee, E.Y. Staats and Co. Haircutters, Teresa's, Thomas Sweet, Village Silver, Wegmans, Wild Oats, and Carla Wragge.

The success of this evening is due to the hard work and generosity of many people and we apologize for inadvertently omitting any names. Many thanks for all the support and hard work that went into making the 2006 Post Prom Party a special night for everyone.

CARRIE STRASBURGER
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BOOKS

Local Cardiologist Examines God and Health Care

William F. Haynes, Jr., past president of the Cardiology Associates of Princeton, has co-authored with Geoffrey B. Kelly *Is There A God in Health Care? Toward a New Spirituality of Medicine* (The Haworth Pastoral Press).

Although Dr. Haynes retired from office practice in 1998, he continues to teach at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School. His other books include *A Physician's Witness to the Power of Shored Prayer and Mind the Whole Person: Cultivating a Healthy Lifestyle from Youth Through the Senior Years*.

Chairperson of the Department of Religion at LaSalle University, Dr. Kelly has published 10 books in the fields of theology, spirituality, and ethics.

In the new book, the authors share their insights on how religious faith can help in the processes of today's health care ministry. The authors avoid rehashing theories on suffering and the "miracles" of healing they may have seen, examining instead how personal faith can enhance the immune system, how a spiritual outlook can help people bear the burden of suffering and grief, and how forbearance and forgiveness are crucial to maintaining a healthy attitude toward life.

Doctors and ministers have praised the book as "a comprehensive review of the subject...of great value in guiding health professionals, clergy, scholars, and patients" and "an inspiration to anyone suffering physical, emotional, or spiritual pain."

Library Program Features Award Winning Storyteller

Joanne Epply-Schmidt will present stories for children aged 7 and up at the Princeton Public Library on Tuesday, July 11 at 7:30 p.m.

Ms. Epply-Schmidt is an award-winning storyteller participating in the 7th Annual Susan J. Epply Storytelling Institute for Teachers, run by Storytelling Arts Inc. in cooperation with the Teacher Preparation Program at Princeton University. The week-long program ran from June 26 to June 30 on the campus of

Princeton University. A residential version of the Institute will take place from July 9 through July 14.



Joanne Epply-Schmidt

In addition to being an ordained Episcopal minister, Ms. Epply-Schmidt is an adjunct professor at Palmer Theological Seminary in Philadelphia. She works as a storyteller in the Trenton public schools. In 2005, for her work with incarcerated youth in Mercer County, she received the Strand Award for Excellence in Programming from the Juvenile Justice Commission.

A graduate of Princeton University, Ms. Epply-Schmidt earned a master's degree in divinity from Yale University. She has been a teaching artist with Storytelling Arts for the past seven years and leads a course in preaching and storytelling at Palmer Theological Seminary. She has been a featured teller at the New Jersey Storytelling Festival.

"Joanne is one of the most compelling storytellers I know," said Susan Danoff, executive director of Storytelling Arts, Inc. "She captivates our toughest audiences when she tells stories to kids in detention, they wait for her return. Her wonderful sense of humor combined with her depth of understanding make her stories indelible in a listener's memory."

Ms. Epply-Schmidt's program will take place in the library's first floor Community Room. Accompanying adults are welcome to attend and no registration is required.

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Princeton's Art Star Bec Stupak, The 'Neon Green Sheep' of The Family

She's been called "a one-woman video machine," "the poster child of the VJ (as in DJ) movement," and "the leader of a new generation of video performers," but when Bec Stupak was first getting into video at Princeton High School, she was, as she puts it, "the neon green sheep of the family" and her parents weren't quite sure how she was going to turn out. She admits being worried about what Alex (her stepfather) and Barbara Waugh, and her father, Steve Stupak, would think about her work, most recently *Rodical Earth Magic Power*, her companion piece to Jack Smith's 1961 film, the drag classic *Flaming Creatures*. Both the original and her remake were projected on opposite walls of the gallery at Deitch Projects in New York while her story boards outlining the action were projected on a surface in the middle. The effect viewed in an Arabian Nights setting complete with a divan for the audience to lounge on was "amazing," according to Roberta Smith's New York Times review, which found Stupak's flaming creatures "much more fluid, androgynous and ... flaming" than the original and suggested that, "in this regard, she may have surpassed her inspiration."

Bec says her parents responded by continuing to be "wonderfully supportive." "They always encouraged me to follow my heart, even when I wanted to quit my corporate day job and become a fulltime video artist." And: "I think they liked meeting all my queenie friends at the opening."

The cast was made up of a performance group called the Radical Fairies, the Hula-Hooping Groovehoops and underground celebrities ranging from Agathe Snow to Gary Indiana. She also had some directorial help from improv director, Octavio Campos. For all her previous successes (such as being included in the Whitney Biennial, having an exhibit at the Tate in Liverpool, winning an award for Best Underground Music Video, doing a video remix for the Rolling Stones, and a DVD 'zine shown at the New York Film Festival at Lincoln Center), *Rodical Earth Magic Power* was both her most personal and most ambitious work, "really the first thing that I directed with a major cast." What she wanted, she says, was to make a version of *Flaming Creatures* based only on what she'd heard about the original. "When I was in high school," she recalls, "so much of what influenced me were things that I only heard about, but never experienced directly, so I was really interested in exploring that." To research the film, she conducted interviews with people who had seen it only once or twice as well with people who knew it by heart. The creative challenge implicit in such an approach is considerable. Imagine a painter responding to Picasso at the same remove rather than absorbing the influence first-hand. For that matter, imagine Jack Smith evoking the B-movie world of Maria Montez without ever having seen those films.

As a VJ, Bec had to tailor her work to the party or "rave" environment, mixing videos (all hers, none from external sources) the way a DJ mixes music. Her gallery work liberated her from the party aesthetic, where, she says, "you could bend it and tweak it a little, but if it went too far off the beaten path, it would no longer be accepted as being legitimately part of the scene. At a certain point, the

art no longer wants to take a back seat to the partying; it wants to be acknowledged as being important."

The Artist as the Art

Art reviews are usually accompanied by an image from the artist's work. In this case, it makes more sense to include an image of the artist. For one thing, Bec Stupak's work needs to be seen in motion. A frozen image is the opposite of what she's about. If you see her with her fellow artists in the Artstar series, you'll also see that she's adept at improvising on her own image, expressing her style. Whether it's in the way she arranges (or disarranges) her hair, ties fronds and feathers into it, or pastes butterfly sequins above each eye, she's expressing points of style that

first few times I saw this exhilarating fittie (just under six minutes long) film Bec made with Eli Sudbrack at the Assume Vivid Astro Focus collective, I thought she herself was the performer. While admitting that she and Carla are often mistaken for one another, she assures me that she's not in any of her videos. But she really is, the same way that an auteur informs his or her movies. The performer on film is a projection of the video artist's aesthetic, the medium for her spirit. Yoko Ono has seen the video and "loves" it and you can see why. It's not just that this is a brilliant throwback to the days when music videos were exploding all over MTV. If Bec had been on the scene in that era, she'd have easily been one of the most sought-after

were many make-uped crazy people, there no taboo include gay, nude, messed-up!! I felt people gave me message 'release yourself get free!!!!'

The Princeton Years

Talking about her evolution as an artist, Bec begins with her father Steve Stupak, who encouraged her art early on (like a paternal antecedent to gallery entrepreneur Jeffrey Deitch), commissioning projects, getting her to make things in clay, create giant paper sculptures, and to draw still lifes. In fact, the "Walking on Thin Ice" video begins and ends as a still life of a formation of fruit that opens out and explodes in your face and then folds back in on itself when the journey is over.

As for Princeton High School, from which Bec graduated in 1994, she found that the projects she was "passionate about" rarely coincided with the sort of assignments the school had in mind ("I would always sneak art books into my textbooks in class"). Nevertheless, her creativity was encouraged by instructors like Joan Goodman, Bob Loughran, and, most particularly, art teacher Dave Mackey, "who recognized the way each of the creative misfit kids needed to be helped along. I can't even say how many times I sought refuge in his classroom, or received encouragement from him to be as outrageous as I wanted to be. He had subscriptions to art magazines that I was obsessed with looking at, and through them I learned about Basquiat, Philip Guston, all kinds of artists. I was able to work in whatever art medium I wanted to."

Another key figure at PHS was Ray Nutkiss, the video teacher: "That video program saved my life and gave me a look into a world that would have been off limits, because the equipment was so hard to come by." She also mentions the importance of the photo lab and even more, the fact that PHS was an early user of the internet, for which she credits Peter Thompson: "Back in '91 the school had a dial-up hub that you could call into, and they had a closed-circuit internet system. Since I later went on to earn my living in internet use and design, I feel like that was so essential to everything I've done since."

People around town in the early 1990s might have seen Bec Stupak and her friends making videos. What made Princeton "a really good place to grow up in" were "all the tons of little nooks and crannies to walk around and hang out in, little paths all through the campus, alternate routes to places, interesting places to shoot. I used to dress up all my friends in crazy outfits and take them on campus to shoot in the parking garages and out by the stadium. We shot stuff all over the town, always stealing little moments here and there, hoping the campus security wouldn't find us."

"It was both the best of times and the worst of times in many ways, but I think high school is that way for anybody."

—Stuart Mitchner

Bec Stupak can be seen with the seven other artists picked from among 400 applicants to be part of the Artstar documentary/reality series which began on the fine arts channel, Gallery HD, available nationwide on DISH network (channel 9472). The first episode aired on June 1. The final three can be seen at 9 p.m. Thursdays through July 20. Repeats will follow.



SELF-PORTRAIT OF THE ARTIST AS THE ART: This could have been a fantasy Bec Stupak had when she was beginning to find herself as a video artist at Princeton High School in the early 1990s. Set it all in motion and you've got a Bec Stupak video. The colors need to be seen online and can be accessed at www.towntopics.com. To see what else this artist is doing, visit www.honeygunlabs.com/bec_stupak or www.deitch.com/projects/sub.php?projid=180. The remaining episodes of the Artstar documentary/reality series, which began on the Fine Arts Channel June 1, can be seen at 9 p.m. Thursdays through July 20 on Gallery HD, available nationwide on DISH network (channel 9472).

you can be pretty sure will be featured in her work: for example, the picture accompanying this review (best seen at www.towntopics.com where the colors can be appreciated). Set the imagery painted on her face in motion and you're in a Bec Stupak video. Notice the way she's posing her hands: you'll see moves like this employed by her alter ego, friend, and muse, Carla Machado, who is the exotically bangled, bejeweled, and painted performer weaving and undulating and lip-synching to Yoko Ono's "Walking on Thin Ice." The

directors because unlike many of the story-oriented interpretations of the music, hers gets right down to it, catching every beat, every nuance, using a mixture of editing and her own lovely, exuberant imagery like a visual percussionist to underscore every fractured "cry" in Yoko's recurring chorus of cries. The result is both edgy and joyous, outrageous and romantic, launching the "Blow through the limits" message like a fireworks display. No wonder one of her favorite quotes about her work is from a Japanese blog responding to *Rodical Earth Magic Power*: "In the movies, there

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APPLE SERIES 1: This is one of the works by Princeton artist Lucy Graves McVicker that can be viewed in the online New American Gallery (www.newamgallery.com/mcvicker_exhibit.htm).

Hopewell Welcomes Home Beatrice Bork's Hereford

The Hereford who is the subject of a watercolor by Flemington animal artist Beatrice Bork has returned to the Hopewell Valley after a Society of Animal Artists' national tour, according to Abby Frantz, founding owner of the Hopewell Frame Shop, where Ms. Bork is having her seventh solo show.

A finalist at the 2005 Art Kudos International Juried exhibition, Ms. Bork was one of Wildlife Art magazine's 19 "Artists of Note" whose work "warranted recognition."

"No Bull," as Ms. Bork titled her portrait of the Hereford, traveled to museums from Peoria, Illinois to Surprise, Arizona, after starting the tour in Oradell, N.J. The work was inspired by observations the artist made at a friend's farm in New Jersey and is a nod to the Hereford's English ancestors. "No Bull" will be prominently displayed at the Hopewell Frame Shop gallery through Labor Day.

The Hopewell Frame Shop at 24 West Broad Street in Hopewell hosts art shows and exhibitions throughout the year. Regular hours are Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For information about current and future events, contact Abby Frantz at (609) 466-0817.

Michener Museum Hosting Family Event Friday July 7

The James A. Michener Art Museum in Doylestown is opening its doors to the community July 7 and August 4 to celebrate First Friday

Doylestown. The Michener will focus on providing arts activities and music for family members of all ages.

The Museum will participate in the July 7 and August 4 First Fridays with free family activities in the lobby and Sculpture Garden from 6 to 8 p.m. The Museum also offers chalk drawing for kids on the sidewalks between the front entrance and the Doylestown Free Library. The galleries will be open until 10 p.m.; general admission is required for entrance. Free parking is available on the side streets and in the library parking lot, and free trolleys are available for transportation to the Museum.

The July 7 line-up features

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Children's Music Express welcome families with young children to share in a musical experience in the lobby from 6 to 7 p.m.

Music by the Indie rock band Friendly Dose will be presented in the Sculpture Garden from 6 to 8 p.m.

Musical Craft Make and Take art activity for children will take place in the Education Room from 6 to 8 p.m.

First Friday of Doylestown is a year-round monthly event celebrating community arts and artists. More information is available at <http://firstfridaydoylestown.com/index.htm>.



THE PHOTOGRAPHER AT WORK: Daniel Smits taking one of the photographs that will be on display at Small World Coffee from July 4 to August 1. There will be an opening reception from 7 to 9 p.m. on July 7.

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The CG Gallery, 10 Chambers Street in Princeton, is exhibiting miniature oil paintings by Elisabeth Borgerhoff Pomerlau from now through July.

Educational Testing Service is hosting "Black and White and Color," an exhibit of landscape and still-lives by William Knight through July 26.

Gallery 125 at 125 South Warren Street in Trenton is celebrating its second anniversary with an exhibit that will run through September 1.

Gallery 14, 14 Mercer Street in Hopewell, is presenting an exhibit by photographers Lois Greenfield and Joanna Tully from now through July 9. An exhibit featuring Jim Hilgendorf and Kathleen Connolly opens July 14 with a reception for the public from 6 to 9 p.m. and continues through August 27.

Grounds for Sculpture is presenting an exhibit of kinetic sculpture by George Rickey in the museum building that will run through September 24. Toad Hall Shop & Gallery is hosting "Driven: Kinetic Sculpture by Jeff Kahn and Rein Triefeldt" through July 15, 2006. Hours are Tuesday through Sunday, from 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Grounds for Sculpture is located at 18 Fairgrounds Road, Hamilton. Hours are Tuesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, call (609) 586-0616, or visit www.grounds-forsculpture.org.

Harrison Street Gallery in Frenchtown will be featuring work by landscape painter Joe Kazimierzczuk through July 30.

The Historical Society of Princeton is currently exhibiting, "U.S. Presidents:

Famous Faces in Princeton Places," and "The Windmill Turns Slowly: Photographs of the Updike Farm," on view through the summer. Museum hours are Tuesday through Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. For more information, call (609) 921-6748.

Howard Gallery of Fine Art in New Hope, Pa. will be hosting a series of "Meet the Artist" receptions every Saturday evening between July 1 and August 26. The receptions are open to art lovers and collectors alike and will take place from 6 until 10 p.m. or later.

The Hunterdon Museum of Art is presenting "Works by Toshiko Takaezu." The show will run through August 20. For more information, call (908) 735-8415.

The James A. Michener Art Museum in Doylestown is presenting a major new exhibit, "Show Business: Irving Berlin's Hollywood" through September 3. "The Heart of Haiti," which features 20 portraits by Philadelphia-area photographer Andrea Baldeck, will run through July 9. "Diane Burko: Flow," featuring 25 of Ms. Burko's works, including paintings and photographs, will run through October 15. The museum is located at 138 South Pine Street in Doylestown. For more information, call (215) 340-9800.

"Poetry in Design: The Art of Harry Leith-Ross" will be on view in the Della Penna Gallery at the Michener's New Hope museum at 500 Union Square Drive through October 1.

The Jane Vorhees Zimmerli Art Museum is presenting "Piranesi: Architecture of the Eye and Mind" through July 27; "Strange Mr. Satie Comes to the Zimmerli: Children's Book Illustrations by Petra Mathers," through July 16; Soviet Propaganda Posters, Part III, through October 1; "Serialities, Part 2: Repetition and Narrative in Soviet Nonconformist Art," through September 17. "In and Around Dvzhenie (The Movement Group)" will be on view in the Dubrow Galleries through October 8. The Zimmerli is located at 71 Hamilton Street on the College Avenue campus of Rutgers University in New Brunswick. For more information, call (732) 932-7237, ext. 610, or visit www.zimmerlimuseum.rutgers.edu.

Morven Museum is presenting "Capturing the Spirit: Virginia Snedeker and the American Scene," its first exhibit of fine art, which will run through November 26.

Orpha's Coffee Shop, 1330 Route 206 in Skillman is presenting "Faces and Places," photographs by Arthur Hochman through July 31.



PUAM FRIENDS: The Friends of the Princeton University Art Museum recently held their annual meeting and elected new officers and members of the board of directors. Shown here are (from left) Mary Hellner of Princeton, the new secretary; Nick Wilson, who will continue as vice-president; and Inez Scribner of Princeton, the newly elected president. John Rassweller, of Princeton, who will stay on as treasurer, is not pictured.

The Peggy Lewis Gallery in Lambertville will be hosting a joint exhibit of works by Peg Cavanaugh and Jane Faraco through July 26.

The Plainsboro Public Library is currently hosting a retrospective of the work of Plainsboro resident and art teacher Kate Gaydos, who signs her paintings K. Renowitzky. The show will run through July 9. "Totally Trenton, A Modern Look Back," a photography exhibit by Guy Clarcia, opens on Sunday, July 16 at 3 p.m.

The Premier Fine Arts Gallery in New Hope, Pa. is hosting a retrospective of the works of Bucks County artist Evelyn Schule. The show will continue through July 14.

The Princeton Theological Seminary's Erdman Art Gallery will be presenting "When the Photographer is Ready the Lord Buddha will Appear," an exhibit of Paul Grand's photography of Southeast Asian Buddhas and temples through July 21.

The Princeton University Art Museum is presenting "Worldly Guardians of the Buddhist Law," an exhibition of handscrolls through July 9.

Small World Coffee is hosting a photography exhibit by Daniel Smits, from now through August 1. The opening reception is set for July 7 from 7 to 9 p.m.

Triumph Brewing Company, 138 Nassau Street in downtown Princeton, is presenting an exhibit of photographs by local artist Wendy Vroom that will run through July 10.

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SCOTT TAYLOR: Scott can be seen in "Trucks and Truckers," Gallery 14 member Jim Hilgendorf's exhibit, which opens July 14 with a reception for the public from 6 to 9 p.m. at which guest photographer Kathleen Connolly, who is also exhibiting, will be present.

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MUSIC REVIEW

Adaskin String Trio Presents Clean, Precise Program With Oboe Virtuoso

Nothing cools off a humid summer night like well-played chamber music, and in its second presentation of the season, Princeton University Summer concerts offered a delightful and energizing ensemble. The Adaskin String Trio, comprised of violin, viola and cello, teamed up with oboist Thomas Gallant to perform two refreshing 18th century quartets to a full house at Richardson Auditorium.

Thomas Gallant is billed as one of the world's few virtuoso solo oboists, and his repertoire and playing expertise clearly lean toward the 17th and 18th centuries. He plays an apparently modern instrument, but in a style reflecting the softer timbres of the classical period. In both Josef Fiala's *Quartet No. 2 for Oboe and Strings* and Mozart's *Quartet in F Major for Oboe and Strings*, Mr. Gallant was noticeably careful with the very high notes of the instrument, but very fluid on the long lines and instrumental floridities. In both of these works (Fiala was Mozart's oboist in the Salzburg orchestra, so the works were somewhat similar), quick musical lines were passed among instruments. Violinist Emlin Ngai, violist Steve Larson and cellist Mark Fraser were all adept at the classical style, including subtle dynamic shifts as phrases repeated.

Josef Fiala's quartet was similar in lightness to the 18th century divertimento, and all instruments spoke well in the acoustics of the hall. Violin and viola were often paired in thirds, and Mr. Ngai and Mr. Larson were perfectly matched in timbre and finesse. The "Rondeau" of Mozart's quartet called for very quick playing from the oboe, especially in the second

episode.

The strings alone explored the nuances of two contrasting trios: Beethoven's *Trio for Violin, Viola and Cello in c minor* and a string trio by Lennox Berkeley, a relatively unknown British composer of the 20th century. A contemporary of Benjamin Britten (the two composed one work together), Berkeley was probably more influenced by his studies with French pedagogue Nadia Boulanger and his association with Maurice Ravel. His *String Trio, Op. 19*, composed in 1943 juxtaposed solo violin against a rather jazzy viola and cello accompaniment. At times violin and viola played in the same register, and Mr. Ngai derived an especially mellow sound from the violin in the second movement "Adagio" against the palette of pizzicato viola and cello.

Beethoven's *String Trio* rounded out the program well with the three string players performing with efficient dynamic effects and well-contained phrases. In this trio, the instruments speak more individually, and well conveyed the hints of the Beethoven ferocity to come in his later quartets. The "Finale" in particular had a great deal of musical filigree for the violin.

The University Summer Concerts series has continually brought the best in chamber music to Princeton in the summer months,

and this summer in particular, the ensembles have been of particularly high quality. The remaining two concerts will no doubt engage the audience in an especially refreshing way.

—Nancy Plum

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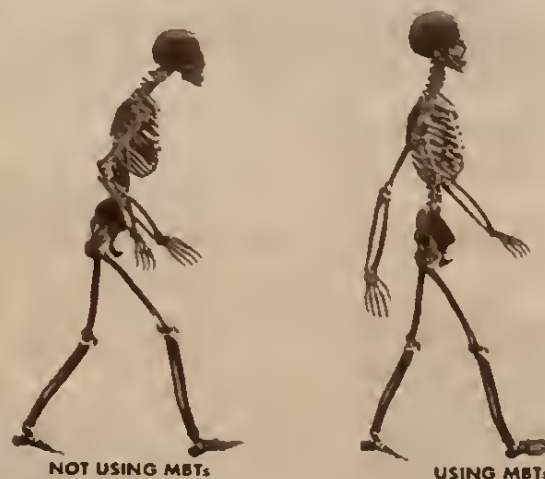
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Piano Festival Releases Schedule of 6 Concerts

The 2006 Golandsky Institute International Piano Festival, at Princeton University from July 16 through 22, has announced its concert line-up for the week of performances in Taplin Auditorium.

The Festival is being presented concurrently with the Golandsky Institute Summer Symposium, which will feature lectures, demonstrations, and panel discussions in the Taubman Technique of piano pedagogy.

Tickets are available for six Festival concerts and eight Symposium presentations.

The Piano Festival will feature solo performances, an evening of chamber music, and a closing jazz concert. All performances will include 20th and 21st century music to reflect the Golandsky Institute's commitment to new music.

The concerts, all scheduled for 8 p.m. in Taplin Auditorium in Fine Hall, will begin on Sunday, July 16 with Kuok-Wai Lio, the 2005 Gina Bachauer Young Artist Competition winner. The schedule for the rest of the week will be as follows: Monday, July 17, pianist Ilya Itin; Tuesday, July 18, pianist Thomas Bagwell, soprano Meagan Miller, and tenor Alex Richardson in a chamber music program titled *Art Song Now*; Thursday, July 20, pianist Janice Weber; Friday, July 21, pianist Yehudi Wyner and soprano Dominique Labelle; and Saturday, July 22, The Herskowitz Rozenblatt Project, a trio of jazz piano, bass, and drums.

On Friday, Mr. Wyner, the recipient of the 2006 Pulitzer Prize for music composition, will give a pre-concert talk at 7 p.m.

The Summer Symposium Presentation Series will feature Golandsky Institute faculty and such guest presenters as author Sandra Rosenblum,



AWARD WINNING PIANIST: Kuok-Wai Lio, first prize winner at the Gina Bachauer International Young Artists Competition in Salt Lake City last year, will kick off a series of six concerts in the Golandsky Institute International Piano Festival on Sunday, July 16 at 8 p.m. in Taplin Auditorium. Five months before winning the Bachauer Competition, Mr. Lio won the Gold Prize at the Sixth Chopin International Piano Competition of Asla in Tokyo. Since his concert debut at the age of ten six years ago, he has performed at numerous international festivals, and in 2004 was invited to play for President Hu Jln-Tao at the 5th Anniversary of Macau's Return to China. Currently a full time student at the Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts, he was awarded an honorary diploma by the Macau government in recognition his achievements. Festival tickets are \$20, and may be ordered by calling (877) 343-3434.

Harvard University's Christopher Hasty, Juilliard's Edward Bilous, Princeton University's Barbara White, Mannes College of Music's Thomas Bagwell, and conductor-pianist William Noll. Unless otherwise noted, the presentations will be given in McCormick Hall. For a complete schedule of these presentations, see next week's Town Topics.

Piano Festival tickets are \$20. A Festival Pass, covering all six Festival concerts, is available for \$100. Tickets to the Summer Symposium presentations are \$15. To order, call (877) 343-3434 or visit www.golandskyinstitute.org.

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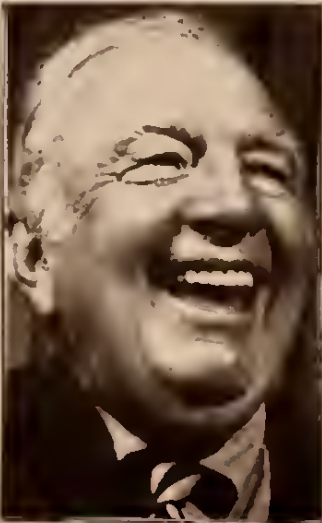
Jazz guitarist Bucky Pizzarelli will return to the Hopewell Valley Bistro's Starlight Room on Saturday, July 15 at 8 p.m. for one in a series of celebrations this year honoring his 80th birthday and 63rd year of his prestigious jazz career. Mr. Pizzarelli will be joined on bass by his longtime friend, Jerry Bruno.

Born in Paterson, John "Bucky" Pizzarelli's first and only guitar teachers were his uncles, Pete and Bobby Dominic. At age 17, he went on the road with Vaughn Monroe. After a stint in the service, he performed as a member of the ABC and NBC staff orchestras, with Skitch Henderson, Mitch Miller, and then Doc Severinsen's *Tonight Show* band. He also toured with the Benny Goodman Orchestra.

the University of Southern Illinois, and was recently elected to the American Jazz Hall of Fame.

For this event, the restaurant will offer a fixed price menu that will include appetizer, soup/salad, entrée, dessert, coffee or tea, and the entertainment. There will be community seating for parties less than six.

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He continues to record frequently. His most recent recording, *Around the World in 80 Years*, features guest appearances by his son, John Jr., and his daughter, Mary Pizzarelli. The artists with whom he has recorded represent a virtual Who's Who of jazz, and include, among others, Frank Sinatra, Perry Como, Rosemary Clooney, Zoot Sims, and Ray Brown.

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Borealis String Quartet

At Richardson Tomorrow

The Princeton University Summer Concerts will continue tomorrow night, July 6, with the Borealis String Quartet in Richardson Auditorium at 8 p.m. The program will include string quartets by Beethoven, Shostakovich, and Ravel.

The concert is free. Comprising Canadian artists, the Borealis String Quartet was formed at the University of British Columbia in 2000. It has since toured coast to coast in Canada. Violinists Patricia Shih and Yuel Yawney, violist Nikita Pogrebnoy, and cellist Ariel Barnes were chosen by Andrew Dawes, the founder of the Orford String Quartet and member of the Tokyo String Quartet. The quartet made its New York debut in 2003 at the Brooklyn Friends of Chamber Music. They served as the first ensemble selected by the University of British Columbia's string training program as its Quartet-in-Residence. In 2003, the quartet was invited by the Emerson String Quartet to participate in the inaugural season of its Chamber Music Workshop at the State University of New York at Stony Brook.

Tickets will be available at 6:30 p.m. at the Richardson box office. For more information about tickets for those with disabilities, call (609) 631-7884.

The last performance of the University Summer Concerts season will be on Friday, July 14 when the Sequenza Trio performs, also at 8 p.m. in Richardson Auditorium.

Garden State Festival Slates Public Concerts

The Garden State Music Festival (GSMF), an orchestral summer camp and music festival now in its first year, has announced a faculty concert

on July 8 and student concert on July 15, both at the College of St. Elizabeth in Morristown. Master classes on July 7, 8, and 12 will also be open to the public.

The faculty concert will take place at 8 p.m. at the Octagon in the campus's library building and will feature the Shostakovich 8th String Quartet and the Schubert String Quintet. Featured artists will be Peter Winograd and Wolfram Koessel of the American String Quartet, Erik Wyrick of the New Jersey Symphony, Calvin Wiersma of the Orpheus Chamber Orchestra, and cellist Marianne Chen, a professor at the Istituto Superiore Di Studi Musicali in Modena, Italy.

The mission of the Garden State Music Festival Summer Camp is to educate young musicians in the performance and appreciation of classical music. The Festival's faculty includes members of the New York Philharmonic, New Jersey Symphony, American String Quartet, and Orpheus Chamber Ensemble.

General admission for the faculty concert will be \$20, with seniors \$12 and students \$5.

The student concert, at McGuire Hall in the Student Center at 7 p.m. on July 15, will be free and open to the public. The program is scheduled to include the Bach Chaconne and Dvorak Symphony No. 8. Garden State Music Festival Music Director Thomas Carlo Bo will conduct.

The master classes, also open to the public, will be Friday July 7 at 7 p.m. with Ms. Chen; Saturday, July 8 at 3 p.m. with Mr. Winograd; and Wednesday, July 12 at 7 p.m. with violinist Glenn Dicterow. Tickets for the master classes are \$15, with students and seniors admitted free. They will take place in the Octagon in the school's library.

The College of St. Elizabeth is located at 2 Convent Road, Morristown.

For more information on the programs, call Kate Daly at (973) 324-9235 or visit www.gardenstatemusicfestival.com.



MOZART ON HIS MIND: Daniel Beckwith will be the guest conductor when The Princeton Festival Orchestra presents "An Evening of Mozart" this Saturday, July 8 at 8 p.m. at The Lawrenceville School's Kirby Arts Center. Mr. Beckwith has conducted in leading opera houses and concert halls in North America and Europe, beginning his conducting career with "Don Giovanni" at the Metropolitan Opera in 1995. Natalie Zhu, a graduate of the Curtis Institute of Music and winner of several performance awards, will be the featured pianist for the all-Mozart concert. For tickets, call (800) 595-4849. For more information, call (609) 537-0071 or visit www.princetonfestival.org.



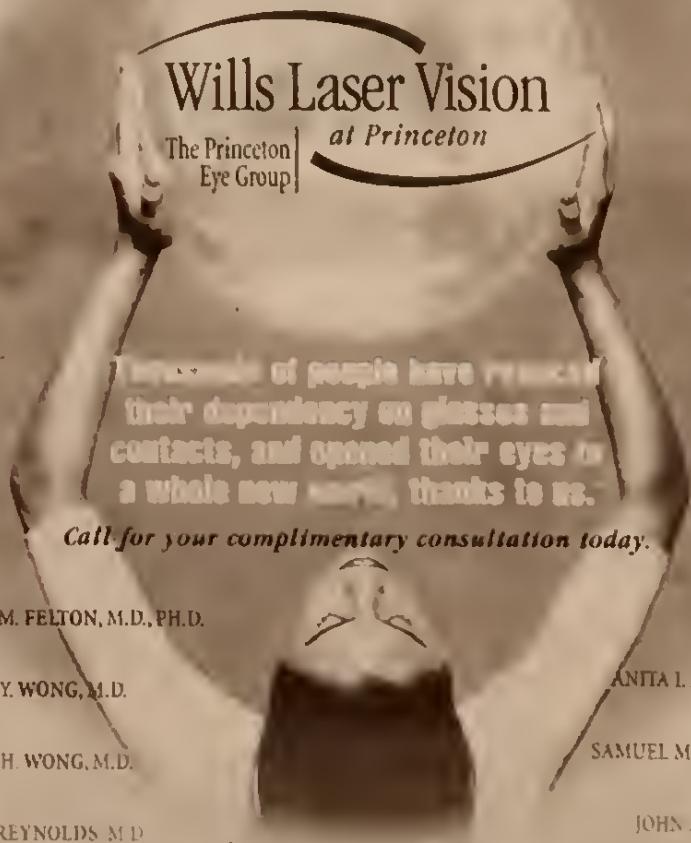
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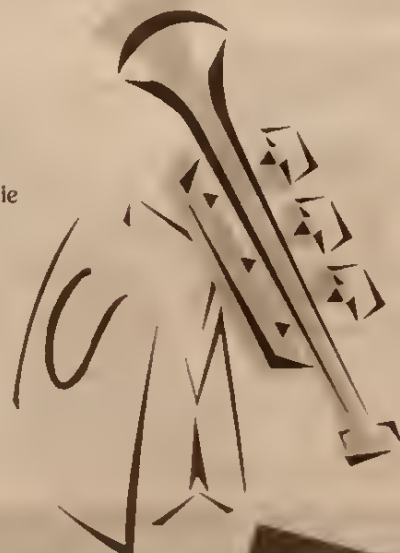
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The "intrepid boy reporter" whose adventures have delighted children and adults around the world for generations has been described as a visual icon of the 20th century.

Tintin and I, a documentary film about the character and his Belgian creator, Hergé, kicks off the Princeton Public Library's new P.O.V. Previews Series tonight, Wednesday, July 5, at 7 p.m.

Directed by Anders Østergaard, the 90-minute film highlights the social and political underpinnings of The Adventures of Tintin, and portrays the life and work of Hergé.

"Millions of kids in many different countries have grown up with the adventures of Tintin," Mr. Østergaard has said, "which is reason enough to make a portrait of Hergé. But Hergé's story, the life of a dreamer whose inner clarity was so much in conflict with the world outside him, was very moving itself."

Hergé was the nom de plume of Georges Remi from whose pen Tintin first

appeared in 1929, in a newspaper comic strip.

Together with his dog Snowy, Tintin has traveled around the world solving crimes and mysteries and confronting all sorts of villains.

The Adventures of Tintin also introduced the world to the rum-loving Captain Haddock, the cerebral Professor Cuthbert Calculus, the bumbling detectives Thomson and Thomson, not to mention the opera singer Bianca Castaflore, and Nestor, the ever resourceful butler of Marlinspike, Captain Haddock's ancestral home.

Tintin faced dangers, treachery and political machinations, traveling at break-neck speed via trains, planes, ships (from ocean liners to space rockets), and automobiles, against the backdrop of world history with wars, smugglers, scientific advances, unscrupulous thieves, tycoons, scientists, and innocents.

Based on 14 hours of audio interviews recorded with Hergé in 1971, Mr. Østergaard's documentary reveals that Tintin's creator produced not only engaging and artfully rendered stories but also a powerful graphic record of 20th-century history.

The film turns some of the most famous panels from Tintin in Tibet (1960) into three-dimensional scenes through which the camera moves to yield new insights into the detail and formal structures of Hergé's art.

It will screen as part of a

new series showing films from the PBS series P.O.V. Tintin and I will be the first of five films to be shown at the library prior to their PBS air dates.

P.O.V. Series

The Library's P.O.V. Series came about through the efforts of Teen Services Librarian Susan Conlon who learned of the possibility while attending a on-day session run by the American Library Association for educators in New York City.

"The films are provided at no cost to the library," said Ms. Conlon, who decided to show them as previews before their air dates on PBS.

On subsequent Wednesdays, new P.O.V. films will be shown at the library, with all but the final film being screened prior to their PBS air dates.

The series continues on Wednesday, July 12 at 7 p.m. with *Al Otro Lado* (To the Other Side), an examination of songs, drugs and dreams along the U.S.-Mexico border set to sounds of the Mexican traditional music *corrido*.

The film follows an aspiring composer from the drug capital of Mexico as he faces two difficult choices to better his life: to traffic drugs or to cross the border illegally into the United States.

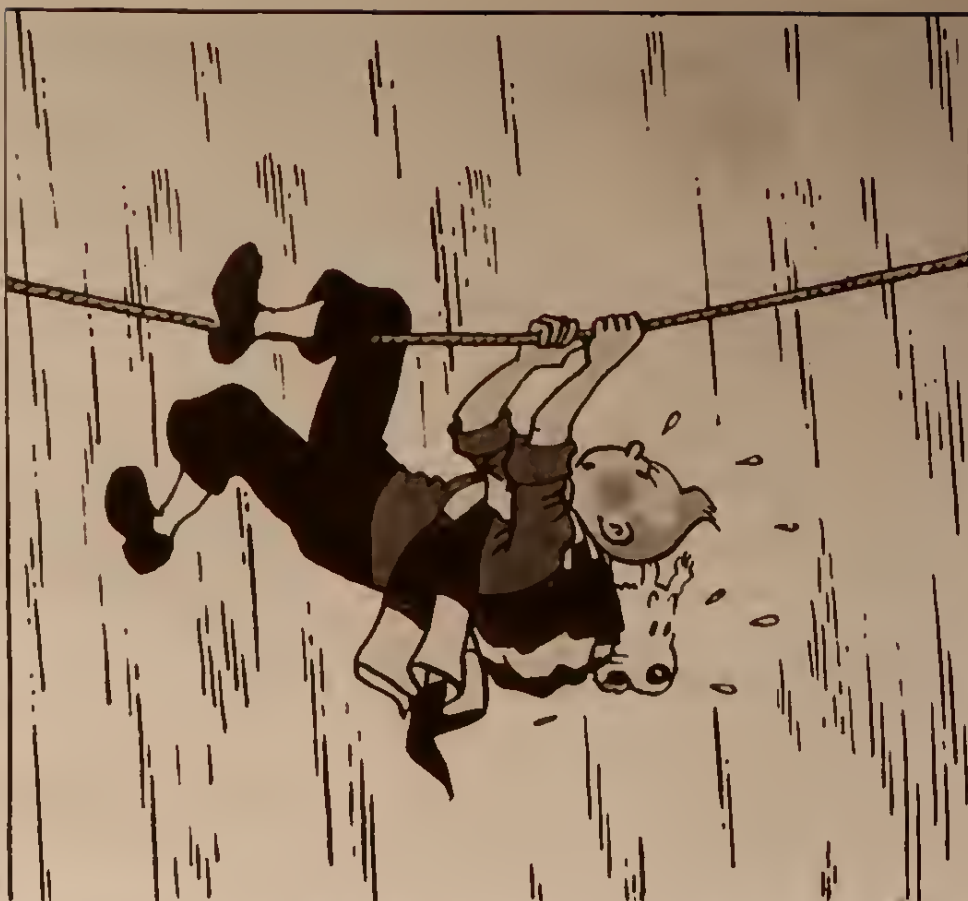
The July 19 screening, *The Boys of Baraka* chronicles the experiences of four boys from one of Baltimore's most poverty-stricken neighborhoods as they travel to Kenya to participate in the Baraka School Project.

In their new East African school, which has a student-teacher ration of five-to-one, a strict disciplinary program and a comprehensive curriculum provide the basis for the boys' transformation into men. The film is directed by Heidi Ewing and Rachel Grady.

Filmmaker Thomas Allen Harris's personal reflection on the early days of the anti-apartheid movement in South Africa, *Twelve Disciples of Nelson Mandela* will be screened in the Community Room when the series continues on Wednesday, July 26 at 7 p.m.

Harris's stepfather, B. Pule Lelnaeng, and 11 comrades left their home in Bloem-

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"HOLD TIGHT SNOWY, WE CAN DO IT": Tintin with his long-suffering dog, Snowy, in one of Hergé's Adventures of Tintin. Tintin and I, a documentary film about the much loved comic strip character and his Belgian creator, Hergé, kicks off the Princeton Public Library's new P.O.V. Previews Series tonight, Wednesday, July 5, at 7 p.m.

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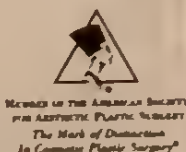
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fontain in 1960 to tell the world about the brutality of the apartheid system and to raise support for the fledgling African National Congress and its leader, Nelson Mandela.

The series wraps up on Wednesday, August 2 with *Kokoyakyu: High School Baseball*. Director Kenneth Eng takes viewers inside Koshien, baseball-crazed Japan's national high school tournament, which is equal parts sporting competition and rite of passage.

Admission to the screenings in the community room on the library's first floor is free. For more information, call (609) 924-9529.

— Linda Arntzenius

Kelsey Planning Auditions For "Dracula the Musical"

Mercer County Community College, in association with Cheng/Ferrara Productions, will hold auditions for *Dracula: The Musical* on Saturday and Sunday, August 5 and 6 at MCCC's Kelsey Theatre. All roles are open.

The show will be directed by Frank Ferrara, with choreography by Jillian Potash.

Audition appointments are recommended. For an appointment or more information, call (609) 499-1388 or e-mail chengferrara productions@gmail.com.

Candidates who are unable to schedule an audition may submit a videotaped audition by arrangement. For more information, visit www.chengferrara.org.

Auditioners are asked to prepare one complete song



THE ADVENTURES OF TINTIN (AND SNOWY TOO): Lovers of the "intrepid boy reporter" and his friends Captain Haddock, Professor Calculus, and of course Snowy, can find out all about the history and his creator Georges Remi, better known as Hergé, tonight at the Princeton Public Library, when the documentary, *Tintin and I*, is shown as part of a new series of P.O.V. (Point of View) films.

LEGAL FORUM

Ten Commandments for Water Safety in Swimming Pools

More children die of aquatic injuries every year than any other form of traumatic injury. Think SAFETY FIRST around your swimming pool, whether it be private or public. Drownings, near drownings, and diving accidents are all preventable; it is just up to you.

The first bastion of safety is good supervision; there is no substitute for an attentive adult/parent who sees to his child's safety or his guests' well being. In addition, here are ten basic tips for water safety to aid in a safe and fun filled summer for your family and pool guests.

1. Life Vests: Insist on life vests and certified inflatable devices for any child who cannot swim or stand safely in your pool.

2. Depth Markers: Most pools have no depth markings, identifying when you are in the deep end. Do not allow diving off the edge of your pool. That transition slope is hard to see and can cause broken necks if one hits his/her head on it.

3. Above-Ground Pools: No diving in any above-ground swimming pool. Be sure there are adequate warnings to advise your family and guests that this is a NO DIVING POOL and they risk serious neck injury if they dive.

4. Diving Boards: Residential pools are not diving pools and should not have diving boards. Young athletic swimmers can easily strike the transition slope when diving off a board in a residential pool. Removing it will prevent injury. Have fun in a pool designed for swimming and use it for its intended purpose: swimming.

5. Fencing: Most children who drown in a pool are neighbors, not your children. Failure to fence appropriately can mean an expensive and time consuming lawsuit; not to mention the tragedy and guilt which goes with such negligence. Contact your township to be sure the fencing around your pool complies with codes and ordinances. If your community is lax in this regard, be sure you are not. Put up a safe fence, with an operable latch, that prevents youngsters from wandering into your yard and drowning or otherwise injuring themselves.

6. Alarms and Motion Detectors: Homes with

toddlers or other small children should have alarms on sliding glass doors and other easy-to-open doorways. Motion sensors can also help alert you if a child wanders out of sight. Your town may have an ordinance governing devices to alert the unwary parent. Follow it if there is and if not, raise the bar and install an alert system yourself. If it's an above-ground pool in your yard, then make sure the ladder can be lifted up to prevent toddlers and others from climbing in.

7. Private Waterslides: If you have a waterslide affixed to the pool, remove it immediately. With so many more broken necks associated with waterslides, the Consumer Products Safety Commission engaged in a massive study to warn the consuming public of their hazards.

8. Public Waterslides: NEVER go down ANY waterslide headfirst, public or private, commercial or residential. Water levels at the tip of the flume frequently fall due to dehydration and lack of attentiveness on those charged with insuring that the water back flows into the slide, insuring that the body decelerates. If the water drops too low, we have the makings of a quadriplegic because the pools are all shallow in order to accommodate all ages, sizes and shapes.

9. Pool Lights: Keep pool lights on for night swimming; install them if you don't have them.

10. Know the Water's Terrain: Teach your children to always dive shallow and to steer up as they enter any body of water. Teach your children NOT to dive if they do not know the depth or the terrain underneath.

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The music for this version of the classic vampire story is by Frank Wildhorn, with book and lyrics by Don Black and Christopher Hampton. The production will mark a U.S. debut, featuring songs not heard on Broadway and all new orchestrations by musical

assistant to Mr. Wildhorn. on October 28, at the Kelsey Theatre.

In an unusual twist for a nonprofessional theatre, Mr. Wildhorn himself will be located on MCCC's West Windsor campus at 1200 Old Trenton Road.

Performances are scheduled for October 20 to 31, including one of the performances.

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Trenton Showings Added For Black Film Festival

The 32nd Annual Newark Black Film Festival has expanded to Trenton.

Premium, an urban romantic comedy by South Orange-based filmmaker Pete Chatmon, is the featured presentation at this year's Festival, which will offer Trenton screenings on Thursdays at 7 p.m. through August 3 at the New Jersey State Museum.

The Adult Cinema Series is complemented by a Youth Cinema Series that begins tomorrow, July 6 and runs on consecutive Thursdays through August 3 at 1 p.m. All screenings are free and open to the public.

Written, produced, and directed by Mr. Chatmon, Premium follows a struggling actor named Cool who is fed up with stereotypical African-American roles. While pumping gas to make ends meet, he collides with his ex-fiancée, Charli, after three years of silence. She is scheduled to be married in 36 hours. As the clock ticks on his life, love, and career, Cool stops looking at his watch and starts looking at himself.

"I have family members who have been in prison, friends who are Rhodes Scholars, and others who contemplate their lives with no solutions in sight," said Mr. Chatmon. "Premium puts a needed spotlight on this world. I only hope that the conversation continues when the house lights come back on." The filmmaker will be available for public discussion following the screening.

The film has already received significant industry attention with the help of The Sundance Institute. It had its world premiere in March at

the Miami International Film Festival.

The Newark Black Film Festival, now celebrating its 32nd year, is the longest running black film festival in the United States. It runs in Newark with adult screenings every Wednesday through August 2 at 7 p.m.

Seating is limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. Once the theater is filled to capacity, additional seating will not be provided. Group seating is limited to two groups of 25 for each screening.

For more information, to reserve group seating, or to request a free brochure, call (609) 292-6464 or visit www.state.nj.us/state/museum.

The New Jersey State Museum is located at 205 West State Street, Trenton.

Princeton Ballet School Adds 4 to Wall of Fame

Four alumni of American Repertory Ballet and ARB's Princeton Ballet School were inducted into the organization's Wall of Fame in May.

The Wall of Fame was established two years ago by American Repertory Ballet to honor the organization's history in a visible way that will help link students with the people who built the institution. Pictures and plaques honoring the Wall of Fame members will hang in all three of ARB's locations, in Princeton, New Brunswick, and Cranbury.

The new inductees are Phyllis Papa, Anne Woodside Gribbins, Erin Mahoney-Du, and Sean Mahoney. They were recognized at each performance of Coppelio, ARB's Princeton Ballet School's

annual show, on May 13 at the Patriots Theatre in the War Memorial in Trenton.

Ms. Papa is the founding director of the Atlantic City Ballet, formerly Atlantic Contemporary Ballet Theatre, in Atlantic City. She was a charter member of the Princeton Regional Ballet Company, the original performing group to emerge from Princeton Ballet School. She danced leading roles with the company, and continued to return as a guest artist for many years. As a dancer with ABT, she toured throughout the U.S., appearing at the White House for President Johnson. She is the recipient of numerous awards, including the Brazilian Gold Medal of Honor and two fellowship grants for choreography from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts.

Ms. Gribbins began her training at Princeton Ballet School in 1971 with founder Audrée Estey. During her years as a student, she performed with the regional company, Princeton Ballet II, where she danced leading roles in the annual school productions. While still in high school, she became an apprentice to the professional company, Princeton Ballet Company, becoming a full member at age 17. In 1991, she joined the Princeton Ballet School faculty, where she served as an administrator and faculty member for the Summer Intensive and children's workshop programs from 1995 to 1997.

Ms. Mahoney-Du came to the Princeton Ballet School at age ten, after four years of study at Knecht Dance Academy in Pennsylvania. She has been featured in many works at the Washington Ballet in the past seven years. In 2005, she also began dancing with Suzanne Farrell Ballet. This past year, the Washington Post considered her dancing in the Farrell reconstruction of George Balanchine's Clari-nod one of the highlights of the 2005 dance season.

Mr. Mahoney began studying at Princeton Ballet School at age 11, following two years of instruction at Knecht's Dance Academy. He danced in many performances of The Nutcracker, and appeared as the Prince in Sleeping Beauty in 1991 and again in 1993. He subsequently danced several seasons with the David



BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU EAT!: Eleonore Thomas, center, as Rosinna, has ulterior motives in serving sweet treats to Hansel (Dan Sanchez) and Gretel (Jamie McKettrick) in the Storybook Musical Theatre production of "Hansel & Gretel," opening tomorrow, July 6, at the Open Air Theatre in Washington Crossing State Park. The show is appropriate for children 3 and older. Performances will be weekends through July 15 at 7 p.m., with tickets \$8 for the Thursday and Friday performances, \$10 on Saturdays, and children 12 and under half price. For more information, call (609) 737-1826 or visit www.oatnj.org.

Parsons Company and appeared with Radio City Music Hall in its Christmas Spectacular. He tours worldwide and has roles in much of the Paul Taylor repertory.

The new inductees joined previous Wall of Fame members Bebe Neuwirth, Dodie Pettit, Carol Estey, Craig Patterson, Lynda Sing, Karen Russo, and Jim Vincent. The Wall of Fame is currently located at Princeton Ballet School's studios at 301 North Harrison Street.

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CINEMA REVIEW**Superman Returns****Possible Paternity Overshadows Superman's Heroics**

Superman, a deadbeat dad in denial? Recent screen adaptations of comic book adventures have portrayed many of our superheroes as having human frailties. We've seen Spiderman depressed enough to consider hanging up his mask and jumpsuit, learned that Batman was emotionally traumatized by the murder of his parents, heard Fantastic Four's Thing moan about how hard it is being a rock, and the X-Men wrestle with their neuroses.

So it is no surprise that the Man of Steel also has flaws. What is remarkable, however, is that the subplot suggests that Clark Kent (Brandon Routh) might have fathered Lois Lane's (Kate Bosworth) child.

The possibility that the pair enjoyed a liaison leading to a love child is so intriguing and distracting that it overshadows the film's story about Superman taking a stand for "truth and justice," thereby protecting the planet from the latest diabolical plot hatched by arch enemy Lex Luthor (Kevin Spacey). Notice that "the American way" has been dropped from Superman's trademark slogan, presumably to placate theater audiences overseas.

As the film opens, we find Superman rocketing back to Earth after an absence of five years. He lands on the farm of his adoptive mother, Martha (Eva Marie Saint) who welcomes him with open arms and tells him that her husband has died. However, this news is not nearly as disturbing as what awaits him when he arrives at the offices of the Daily Planet in downtown Metropolis.

Not only does Lois have a son, Jason (Tristan Leabu) who's almost five, but Richard (James Marsden), nephew of the newspaper's editor Perry White (Frank Langella), is her boyfriend. Richard is eager to marry her, but Lois has some secret reason for stubbornly refusing his proposal. Could it possibly have anything to do with Clark? A hint comes later when young Jason picks up a piano to crush someone who is about to harm his mother.

Given this apparent cross-fertilization between human and alien species, it's disappointing that director Bryan Singer devoted so much time to the Lex Luthor-Superman showdown.

In fact, after the hint mentioned above, the movie subsequently ignores the paternity theme entirely until the end of the film. This might have worked, had the action sequences been visually engaging, however, jostling the lens appears to be Singer's favorite special effect, because the camera shakes badly in every fight scene.

Superman Returns, which is two and a half hours long, is likely to be too long for children, too predictable for teenagers, and simply too frustrating for adults. The Man of Steel, as a morally and ethically challenged figure, has the potential to be quite compelling if, and only if, he is portrayed as confronting his demons in a meaningful way.

Fair (★). Rated PG-13 for profanity and violence. Running time: 154 minutes. Studio: Warner Brothers

—Kam Williams



HERE I COME TO SAVE THE DAY: Superman (Brandon Routh) stops a runaway car, thereby averting a horrible accident.

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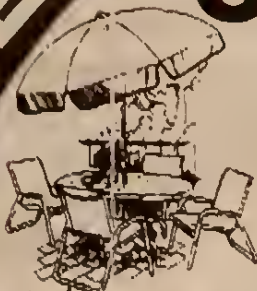
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The Break-Up (PG-13 for nudity, sex and expletives). Battle-of-the-sexes revenge comedy, set in the Windy City, about an art dealer (Jennifer Aniston) and tour bus guide (Vince Vaughn) who both want to end their relationship, except neither is willing to move out of the condo they share. With Joey Lauren Adams, Jon Favreau and Ann Margaret.

Cars (G). Disney animated adventure about the adventures of a rookie hot rod (Owen Wilson) who gets a big lesson about life on his way across the country to compete in the Piston Cup Championship in California. With voicework by Paul Newman, George Carlin, Bob Costas, Bonnie Hunt, Michael Keaton, Jennifer Lewis, Tony Shalhoub, and real-life race car drivers Richard Petty and Darrell Waltrip.

Click (PG-13 for sex, expletives, crude humor, and drug references). Adam Sandler stars in this science fiction fantasy about a workaholic architect who discovers that he can fast-forward or rewind his life with the help of his universal remote control. Cast includes Christopher Walken, Kate Beckinsale, Sean Astin, Jennifer Coolidge, David Hasselhoff, Henry Winkler, Julie (the voice of Marge Simpson) Kavner, and John (brother of Chris) Farley.

The Devil Wears Prada (PG-13 for sensuality). Anne Hathaway stars opposite Meryl Streep in this adaptation of the best seller of the same name about a small-town girl just out of college who lands a job in NYC as an assistant to a very demanding, high-powered magazine editor.

The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift (PG-13 for sex, expletives, violence, and reckless and illegal teen behavior). With the cast overhauled again, the action shifts to Japan for the third installment of the high-octane auto franchise. Now Lucas Black stars as a fugitive from justice and gangsters whose hope of paying off a gambling debt rests with driving in death-defying street races.

Garfield's A Tail of Two Kittens (PG for off color humor). Bill Murray reprise's the title role as the voice of the smart aleck cat in this mistaken identity, animated comedy, set in England, where the furry feline accidentally inherits a castle which comes outfitted with a court of loyal subjects. Additional voiceovers provided by Breckin Meyer, Jennifer Love Hewitt, Tim Curry and Bob Hoskins.

An Inconvenient Truth (Unrated). Al Gore ramps up for another Presidential run in this "Don't say I didn't warn you" documentary about the dire prospects for the planet as a consequence of continued unchecked global warming.

The Lake House (PG for mild epithets and a disturbing image). Speed stars Sandra Bullock and Keanu Reeves reunite for this faithful adaptation of *Siwora*, a surreal science fiction film from Korea. Remake revolves around the exchange of love letters between a frustrated architect (Reeves) and the lonely doctor (Bullock) who previously resided in his new house and the discovery that they're living two years apart.

Little Man (PG-13 for profanity, drug references, and crude sexual references). Keenen Ivory Wayans directs brother Marlon in the title role of this screwball comedy as a pint-sized felon who masquerades as a baby in order to be adopted by the couple (Shawn Wayans and Kerry Washington) he hid a priceless diamond with. Cast includes John Witherspoon and SNL alums Tracy Morgan and Molly Shannon.

Nacha Libre (PG-13 for crude humor and rough action). Jack Black vehicle features the corpulent comic as a chef who decides to don a mask and cape to morph into a professional wrestler to raise enough money to save the orphanage where he works from closing.

Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest (PG-13 for frightening images and violence). Johnny Depp, Keira Knightley and company return for another round of hijinks on the high seas. This time out Captain Jack finds himself trapped in spooky web of supernatural intrigue, owing a debt of servitude and eternal damnation to Davy Jones.

A Prairie Home Companion (PG-13 for risqué humor). Garrison Keillor plays himself in this fictional story set at St. Paul's famed Fitzgerald Theater, home to his long-running, nostalgic NPR radio series of the same name. Directed by Robert Altman, the action unfolds both on and offstage on the night of what looks like the final broadcast, given the announcement that the show has been acquired by a corporate conglomerate which has decided to pull the plug on the popular program. Ensemble cast includes Lindsay Lohan, Meryl Streep, Tommy Lee Jones, Woody Harrelson, Lily Tomlin, Virginia Madsen, Matthew Modine, John C. Reilly and Saturday Night Live's Maya Rudolph.

Superman Returns (PG-13 for violence). Brandon Routh takes over the title role for a new chapter in the life of the Man of Steel as he returns from Krypton to declare his undying love for Lois Lane (Kate Bosworth) while protecting the planet from the cataclysmic destruction planned by his arch enemy Lex Luthor (Kevin Spacey). Back cast includes Frank Langella, James Marsden, Parker Posey, Eva Marie Saint, and Kal Penn.

Waist Deep (R for pervasive profanity and graphic violence). Meagan Good and Tyrese co-star as a 21st Century version of Bonnie and Clyde as joyriding lawbreakers and lovers who leave no stone unturned in search of their carjacked child. Cast includes Larenz Tate, rapper The Game, and Arnold Vosloo.

Water (Unrated). Feminist Deepa Mehta's long overdue final installment of her elemental trilogy, also including *Fire* (1996), and *Earth* (1998), films which triggered riots and theater burnings before being banned for exploring political and religious themes like lesbianism and Hindu-Muslim romance. This film, set in the thirties during the rise of resistance to British rule, revolves around the relationship between a woman widowed at the age of eight and raised in an ashram and a suitor from a lower caste who's a devout follower of Mahatma Gandhi.

Wordplay (PG for profanity and mature themes). Documentary examines the work of Will Shortz, longtime editor of the New York Times' crossword puzzle. With cameos by Ken Burns, Bob Dole, Jon Stewart, and Bill Clinton.

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LEWIS SCHOOL GRADUATES: 2006 Lewis School graduates seated in the front row are Brian Schaffer, Kaitlyn Sikora, Gray Blaszczyk, Rob Smyth, Alexa Casimir, Hannah Nadelson. Standing in the back row are Tyler Printz, Brandon Swanner, Frank Capecci, Callen Figarola, and Lauren Silberger. Not shown are Abby Farmer, Charo Leyton, and Adam Schwartz.



STUART COUNTRY DAY 2006 GRADUATES: Present but not listed in order are: Sophia An, Ashley Anderson, Linzy Anderson, Jena Braymiller, Chelsea Brett, Laura Brienza, Meaghan Byrne, Sophia Clark, Mary Crawford-Roberts, Mary Kate Dahlberg, Rosalind Elliott, Lisa Ann Finley, Nora Gecan, Hillary Geremla, Noha Ghusson, Christa Goeke, Jessica Harris, Diandra Hayban, Margaret Henry, Victoria Katen-Narvell, Hilary Kinka, Kathryn Kitts, Kirsten Kulmaczewski, Alexandra Levitt, Rebekah Martin, Kaitlin McCarthy, Alice Murnen, Lily Parrott, Tatiana Person, Allison Posta, Molly Preston, Nicole Procaccini, Marissa Robinson, Marigny Shapiro-Shellaby, Lindsay Smith, Taylor Smith, Mary Jane Sweetland, and Nina Szemis.

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PRINCETON MONTESSORI GRADUATES: 2006 middle school graduates from Princeton Montessori School are showing off their diplomas with faculty members Michelle Willard on the left and Shannon Tourto on the right. Kaitlin Sheldon of Skillman will attend Princeton Day School, Christina Hartnack of Hillsborough will attend Montgomery High School, Christopher Lynch of New Brunswick will attend The Lawrenceville School, Matella Axelbank of Highland Park will attend Rutgers Preparatory School, Aurnab Saieh of Skillman will attend the International School of Bangalore, and Connor Delaney of Princeton will attend Blair Academy.

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Princeton Singles has scheduled five events in July.

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A dinner at the Cranbury inn in Cranbury is scheduled for Saturday, July 8 at 7 p.m. For information, call (609) 771-4060 by July 6.

On Sunday, July 9, club members will meet at 10 a.m. at Princeton Canoe and Kayak Rental, 483 Alexander Road, for canoeing and/or kayaking on the Delaware-Raritan Canal. An optional lunch will follow at Panero's Bread on Route 1.

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Engagements



Jotham Johnson and Leigh Morrison

Morrison-Johnson. Alice Leigh Morrison, daughter of John D. Morrison Jr. of Cuthbert, Ga., and the late Brenda Morrison, to Jotham Thomas Johnson, son of Jotham and Grace Butler Johnson of Blawenburg, Montgomery Township.

The bride-to-be graduated cum laude with a dual bachelor's degree in religion and English from Mercer University, Macon, Ga. in 1999. She completed her Master of Divinity degree with honors in 2002 at Princeton Theological Seminary, and two Ph.D. seminars at Princeton University the same year. She recently studied at The University of St. Andrews, Scotland, as a recipient of The St. Andrews Schoolteacher Fellowship. She is employed as an instructor of theology at The Hill School in Pottstown, Pa.

The groom-to-be is a 1996 graduate of Deerfield Academy in Deerfield, Mass. He earned a bachelor's degree in politics from Princeton University in 2000, and received his master's degree in education in 2006 at Villanova University. He is also a member of the Hill School faculty, where he is a history instructor.

Mr. Johnson proposed to Ms. Morrison in March while visiting her in Scotland.

A June 23, 2007 wedding is planned at Amicalola Falls in Dawsonville, Ga. The couple will live in Pottstown, Pa.

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Wednesday, July 5

2 and 8 p.m.: *Miss Saigon*; Bucks County Playhouse, New Hope, Pa. Also Thursday and Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 4 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

7 p.m.: Darla Rich Quartet; Fedora Cafe, Lawrenceville.

9 p.m.: Thomas Sweet Outdoor Cinema, *Rear Window*; Pettoranello Gardens Amphitheater, Community Park North. Free.

Thursday, July 6

6 p.m.: Arts Council Summer Concert with The Voo Dudes; Princeton Shopping Center Courtyard. Free.

7 p.m.: Newark Black Film Festival screening; New Jersey State Museum, 205 West State Street, Trenton. Free.

7 p.m.: Talk and book signing by Alvin S. Felzenberg, author of *Governor Tam Kean: From the New Jersey Statehouse to the 9/11 Commission*; Barnes & Noble, MarketFair, Route 1.

7 p.m.: *Hansel and Gretel*; Open Air Theatre, Washington Crossing State Park, Titusville. Also Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m.

7:30 p.m.: Recital with jazz pianist Tara Buzash; Bristol Chapel, Westminster Choir College. Free.

8 p.m.: *Black Comedy*; Hamilton Murray Theater, Murray-Dodge Hall. Also Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m., Saturday and Sunday at 2 p.m.

8 p.m.: Princeton University Summer Concert with Borealis String Quartet; Richardson

Auditorium.

Friday, July 7

3 and 7 p.m.: *Dora the Explorer: Dora's Pirate Adventure*; State Theatre, New Brunswick.

8 p.m.: *The Comedy of Errors*; Kelsey Theatre, Mercer County Community College. Also Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

8 p.m.: *The Odyssey*; Mount-Burke Theatre, Peddie School, Hightstown. Also Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

8 p.m.: New Jersey Opera Theater's *Così fan tutte*; Berlind Theatre.

8 and 10:30 p.m.: Comedians Mo Alexander and Paul Lyons; Catch A Rising Star Comedy Club, Hyatt Regency Hotel. Also Saturday at 8 and 10:30 p.m.

9 p.m.: Thomas Sweet Outdoor Cinema, *Almost Famous*; Pettoranello Gardens Amphitheater, Community Park North. Free.

Saturday, July 8

9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.: Jazz pianist John Henry Goldman; West Windsor Community Farmers Market, Princeton Junction train station.

6:30 p.m.: "Pops at the Pub" with Bill O'Neal and Joe Kramer; Halo Pub, Hulfish Street.

7 p.m.: Darla Rich Quartet; Hopewell Valley Bistro, Hopewell.

8 p.m.: Princeton Festival Orchestra, *An Evening With Mozart* with pianist Natalie Zhu; Kirby Arts Center; The Lawrenceville School.

8 p.m.: New Jersey Opera Theater production of Donizetti's *L'Elisir d'Amore*; Berlind Theatre.

9 p.m.: Thomas Sweet Outdoor Cinema, *Before Sunset*; Amphitheater, Community

Pettoranello Gardens Amphitheater, Community Park North. Free.

Sunday, July 9

11 a.m., 2 p.m., and 3 p.m.: Estate Park and Nature Tour; Duke Farms, Hillsborough. For reservations call (908) 722-3700.

2 p.m.: New Jersey Opera Theater's *Così fan tutte*; Berlind Theatre.

2 p.m.: *Madame Butterfly*; Kirby Arts Center, Lawrenceville School.

Monday, July 10 Recycling Pickup

Tuesday, July 11

8:30 a.m.: Borough Merchants for Princeton Board; Nassau Inn.

Noon: Concerts on the Landing Series, with Dennis Rogers Jazz band; War Memorial, Trenton.

8 p.m.: Jazz Mentors Concert with Lew Tabackin, Billy Hart, Mike Richmond, and Stanley Cowell; Montgomery High School, Route 601, Skillman.

Wednesday, July 12

Noon: Drumthwacket Tour. Every Wednesday. For reservations, call (609) 683-0057.

7 p.m.: *Hansel and Gretel*; Open Air Theatre, Washington Crossing State Park, Titusville. Also Thursday, Friday, and Saturday at 7 p.m.

7:30 p.m.: Recital with CoOPERative; Bristol Chapel, Westminster Choir College. Free.

8 p.m.: Jazz Mentors Concert with Phil Woods and John Coates Jr.; Montgomery High School, Route 601, Skillman.

9 p.m.: Thomas Sweet Outdoor Cinema, *Waking Ned Devine*; Pettoranello Gardens Amphitheater, Community

Thursday, July 13

6 p.m.: Arts Council Summer Concert with Eca Del Sur, Latin American band; Princeton Shopping Center Courtyard. Free.

7 p.m.: *Hansel and Gretel*; Open Air Theatre, Washington Crossing State Park, Titusville. Also Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m.

7 p.m.: Maggie Hill Band; Weeden Park, Lawrenceville.

7 p.m.: Newark Black Film Festival screening; New Jersey State Museum, 205 West State Street, Trenton. Free.

7:30 p.m.: New Jersey Opera Theater's *Così fan tutte*; Berlind Theatre.

7:30 p.m.: Regional Planning Board of Princeton; Township Municipal Complex.

7:30 p.m.: Recital with The Practitioners of Music; Bristol Chapel, Westminster Choir College. Free.

8 p.m.: *Little Shop of Horrors*; Hamilton Murray Theater, Murray-Dodge Hall. Also Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m., Saturday and Sunday at 2 p.m.

8 p.m.: Jazz Mentors Concert with Maynard Ferguson; Montgomery High School, Route 601, Skillman.

Friday, July 14

7 to 10 p.m.: Ping Pong Night for Adults; Plainsboro Municipal Building.

7:30 p.m.: Recital with CoOPERative; Bristol Chapel, Westminster Choir College. Free.

8 to 10 p.m.: Dance Improv, Live, Movement Workshop; All Saints' Church.

8 p.m.: *The Music Man*; Kelsey Theatre, Mercer County Community College. Also Saturday at 8 p.m., Sun-

day at 2 p.m.

8 p.m.: *The Odyssey*; Mount-Burke Theatre, Peddie School, Hightstown. Also Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

8 p.m.: Air Supply; State Theatre, New Brunswick.

8 p.m.: *Nunsensations!*; Olf-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell. Also Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

8 p.m.: Princeton University Summer Concert with Sequenza Trio; Richardson Auditorium. Free.

8 p.m.: Jazz Mentors Concert with The Woody Herman Orchestra; Montgomery High School, Route 601, Skillman.

8 p.m.: New Jersey Opera Theater production of Donizetti's *L'Elisir d'Amore*; Berlind Theatre.

8 and 10:30 p.m.: Comedians Joel Lindley and Richard Aronovich; Catch A Rising Star Comedy Club, Hyatt Regency Hotel. Also Saturday at 8 and 10:30 p.m.

9 p.m.: Thomas Sweet Outdoor Cinema, *Ghost Busters*; Pettoranello Gardens Amphitheater, Community Park North. Free.

Saturday, July 15

2 p.m.: The Sourland Music Festival with folksingers Bliggins & Goines, James Popik and John Sonntag, and Mike Aucott & The Mountain View Band; Hillsborough Golf & Country Club, Hillsborough.

6:30 p.m.: "Pops at the Pub" with Larry Tritel; Halo Pub, Hulfish Street.

7 p.m.: "Your Favorite Songs" concert of a cappella singing; Montgomery Center for the Arts' 1860 House Music Café, Skillman.

8 p.m.: Bucky Pizzarelli Trio; Hopewell Valley Bistro, Hopewell. For reservations, call (609) 466-9889.

8 p.m.: Westminster Bach Festival with Fuma Sacra and Westminster Bach Festival Orchestra; Miller Chapel, Princeton Theological Seminary.

8 p.m.: New Jersey Opera Theater, Puccini's *Gianni Schicchi* and Michael Ching's *Buoso's Ghost*; Berlind Theatre.

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Wednesday, July 5:

9:15 a.m. Aerobics; SPB.

10:30 a.m. Let's Talk; RC.

1:30 p.m. Let's Talk in English; SC.

3:00 p.m. Let's Talk Too; SC.

Thursday, July 6:

10:30 a.m. Let's Talk in English Too!; RC.

1:00 p.m. Art Studio; SPB.

1:00 p.m. Movie: *Casanova*; SPB.

Friday, July 7:

9:15 a.m. Aerobics; SPB.

10:45 a.m. Ping-Pong; SPB.

1:00 p.m. Afternoons with April; SPB.

Monday, July 10:

9:15 a.m. Aerobics; SPB.

11:30 a.m. Chair Exercise; SC.

1:30 p.m. Wonder of Wordplay; SPB.

Tuesday, July 11:

10:00 a.m. Art with Bob; SPB.

11:00 a.m. Strength Training; SPB.

1:00 p.m. Social Bridge; SPB.

1:00 p.m. Computer Lab; SPB.

Wednesday, July 12:

9:15 a.m. Aerobics; SPB.

10:30 a.m. Let's Talk; RC.

1:30 p.m. Let's Talk in English; SC.

2:00 p.m. Group Drumming; SPB.

3:00 p.m. Let's Talk Too; SC.

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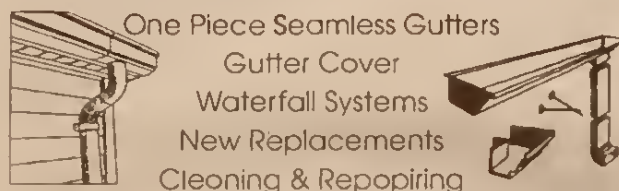
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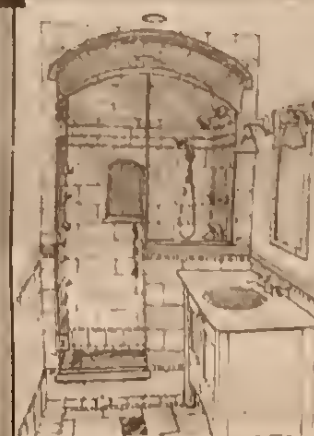
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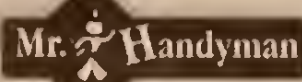


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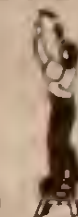
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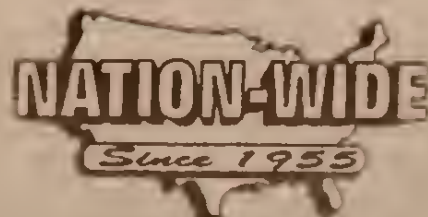
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Sports

Blitzer, Kowalski Come Up Big As West Wins Sunshine Game

In the fall of 2002, the Princeton High school football team was hardly a breeding ground for all-star players.

The program won just one game that season, marking their first on-field victory since the 2000 campaign.

But with a determined group of freshman utilizing its spirit and talent to give the program a jolt, things started to turn around.

In 2003, the Little Tigers doubled their win total and a year later they gained respectability by going 5-5.

The PHS Class of 2006, though, saved its best for last as it posted a 6-4 record, coming within one win of making the state tournament, a feat PHS hasn't accomplished since the mid-1990s.

Across town, the Princeton Day School football team wasn't turning out blue chip players either. The Panthers suffered through a combined 3-13 record in the

2002 and 2003 seasons.

But with its Class of 2006 staying the course, PDS turned the corner, going 4-4 in 2004 and then posting a sparkling 7-1 mark last fall to match a program record for wins.

Reflecting the reversal of fortunes in the two programs, players from PHS and PDS were all over the field last Thursday at the 10th Annual Sunshine Football Classic all-star game.

The East team boasted five stars from PHS with Marc Andre, Ben Guervil, Adam Brunner, Frank Giacalone, and Huguens Jean making the squad. Two Panther stars, Alex Kowalski and David Blitzer, were chosen for the West team.

Showing their skills one last time in high school competition, the Princeton-area players played a major role as the game unfolded at The College of New Jersey stadium.



RENAISSANCE MEN: Princeton High football standouts, from left, Marc Andre, Ben Guervil, Adam Brunner, Frank Giacalone, and Huguens Jean take a break during a recent practice of the East squad as it prepared for the Sunshine Football Classic all-star game. The quintet of players helped PHS reverse its fortunes as the team went 6-4 last fall after having gone 8-22 the previous three seasons. Last Thursday, the Little Tiger standouts ended their high school careers on a bit of a down note as the East fell 13-7 to West in the Sunshine game. Andre scored East's only touchdown on a 37-yard fumble recovery and was named as the Outstanding Lineman for the squad.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJSportAction)



WESTWARD HO: Princeton Day School stars Alex Kowalski, left, and David Blitzer, center, celebrate with Hun School standout Michael Arduini after the trio helped the West team to a 13-7 win over the East last Thursday in the Sunshine Football Classic all-star game. Kowalski scored a touchdown on a seven-yard run to get the West on the board in the second quarter while Blitzer was named as the Outstanding Lineman for the team.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJSportAction)

Midway through the first quarter, Andre showed his aggressiveness and athleticism as he scooped up a fumble from his defensive end spot and raced 37 yards down the sideline to help put the East ahead 7-0.

Late in the second quarter, the West answered back as the stocky Kowalski bulled through the line to score on a seven-yard touchdown gallop to narrow the margin to 7-6. The West went ahead in the waning moments of the second quarter on an 11-yard scoring strike from Notre Dame's Dan Moyer to Tyrone Prewitt of Trenton Central.

In the second half, Blitzer dominated the action from his linebacker spot, going sideline to sideline to help the West hold the East at bay. In the end, the West held on to its 13-7 edge as the game was halted due to lightning with 3:05 remaining in the fourth quarter.

With the cloudburst in full swing, the Princeton area players were recognized for their outstanding performances as Andre was named the Outstanding Lineman for the East and Blitzer earned the Outstanding Lineman award for the West.

Afterward, a beaming Blitzer wasn't surprised that the West had prevailed. "It was great to be out there, we said before the

game that the West was going to be the best team on the field," said Blitzer, who is headed to Williams College this fall where he plans to play football and lacrosse. "We had really come together; we knew going into it that we were going to dominate and we did. They got that one score on a lucky fumble."

Kowalski, for his part, said his scoring play was emblematic of the team's solid offense. "I think offensively we just had fun; there was a love of the game," said the Carnegie-Mellon bound Kowalski, who noted that having PDS head coach Bruce Devlin coordinating the West offense helped his comfort level. "That touchdown made the game for me. I had such a good line in front of me; the blocking was so good especially on that play."

Blitzer was proud to be cited as his team's outstanding lineman. "It means the world to me; especially on a team like this," asserted Blitzer. "The team around me is so good. These guys are great players; it showed on the field because everybody gave all they had."

And by giving it all they had, the graduating seniors from PDS as well as PHS helped their programs claw their way back to respectability.

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Bowmans Take Scenic Route Around NYC, Leading Team in Manhattan Island Swim

With school out and summer having begun, Connor Bowman headed up to New York City to spend a Saturday seeing some of the sights.

But Bowman, a Princeton resident and Hun School junior, didn't use the subway, taxi cabs, or buses to get around Manhattan.

Instead, Bowman hit the water at the South Cove in Battery Park City at 6:30 a.m. on June 24 as part of a six-person relay team taking part in the annual 28.5 mile Manhattan Island Marathon Swim, a full counter-clockwise circumnavigation of the island of Manhattan.

Bowman, a swimming and water polo standout at Hun, led off the event for Team Tischman, which included his

father, Ron Bowman, former Hun teammate Andrew Philhower, and Princeton resident Doug Myers.

Despite having competed in numerous triathlon and countless swim meets, Bowman admitted that the first plunge into the tidal estuary of the Hudson River was an eye-opener.

"It's kind of a shock," said Bowman, noting that the water temperature was in the low 60s. "Depending on how cold it is, it can give you a headache."

In order to deal with the conditions, Bowman utilized some mind games. "It helps to get a song into your mind," said Bowman, who ended up swimming three relay legs for the team which completed the

course in about 8 and a half hours.

"You try to fall into a pace; you just try to feel good. You try to set goals as you go along, trying to catch up with the support boats. It was a surreal experience."

Predictably, Bowman encountered more than just cold water and strong currents in his swims. "I had heard stories about people hitting dead dogs in the water," said Bowman with a slight laugh. "I did swim into some condoms and maxi-pads at one point."

For Bowman, choppy water and fatigue posed the biggest challenges. "In my third leg, I kept getting hit by waves," recalled Bowman, who will spend much of the rest of his summer at the Nassau Swim Club, working as a lifeguard together with competing for and helping to coach the club's swim team. "When I was getting tired, I would lengthen my stroke."

Bowman's father, Ron, was the driving force in putting together the team for the event. "I have heard of this event for years. It is the second most famous distance swim behind the English Channel," said Bowman, 45, a commercial real estate executive who has competed in about 15 triathlons and ran the Boston Marathon this past April. "I had thought about entering before so when an organizer called this year, we decided to do it."

In reflecting on the swim, Bowman acknowledged that it was quite a challenge. "There was something for everyone," said the Bowman, noting that swimmers are not allowed to wear wet suits in the event.

"The currents were changing. At times you went into the currents which was rough. At other times, the current helped you. Swimming up near Hell's Gate in the 90s was really tough. I had a negative current; I was paddling hard and getting nowhere."

Despite such tough moments, Bowman was able to get a unique view of Manhattan. "It was fun seeing sites like the GW Bridge and the Chelsea Piers from the water," said Bowman, who is planning to enter the event again and may want to do it just with Connor in order to become the first father-son team to complete the gruelling relay. "There was a kayak and a boat with you to make sure that you didn't go off course."

The unique nature of the event made for an interesting



MAKING IT IN MANHATTAN: Ron Bowman, far left, and son Connor Bowman (wearing Georgetown sweatshirt), celebrate with their teammates after the six-swimmer relay group completed the 28.5 mile Manhattan Island Marathon Swim, a full counter-clockwise circumnavigation of the island of Manhattan. The Team Tischman group, led by the Bowmans, completed the course in about eight and a half hours.



TAKING THE PLUNGE: Princeton resident and Hun School junior Connor Bowman waits between legs at South Cove in Battery Park City during the recent Manhattan Island Marathon Swim. Bowman completed three legs in the event, swimming for a six-man relay team which also included his father Ron Bowman, former Hun teammate Andrew Philhower, and Princeton resident Doug Myers.

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Buddies Are More Than Just Friends In Princeton Special Sports Program

Rebecca Conti has a lot of things she could do on Sunday afternoons.

The Notre Dame High sophomore could put in time sharpening her tennis game as she looks to become a force on the Irish squad.

On the other hand, the vivacious Conti could spend the day hanging out with her friends. With her busy schedule, Conti could just chill out and take it easy.

Instead, Conti carves out two hours every Sunday to serve as a "buddy" for Princeton Special Sports (PSS), a volunteer organization created to give special needs children ages 4-18 the chance to play youth sports in a setting tailored to their abilities.

PSS relies heavily on the contributions of the buddies, local children ages 12 and up who are paired up with the players in order to help them perform better on the field.

Conti, who started in the PSS program three years ago, didn't take long to realize that she was going to have a standing date every Sunday.

"The first time I came it was hard because you didn't know what to do," recalled Conti before heading out to help out at a recent PSS baseball session at Community Park.

"You come the next Sunday and it's just natural. I just kept coming because I really enjoyed it. You see all these kids with a smile on their face and you know that you've made a difference in somebody's life."

A major perk of being a buddy is helping the players to achieve breakthroughs.

"My favorite player is Jacqueline," said a grinning Conti, noting that buddies typically work one-on-one with the players as long as numbers dictate. "She has a problem with her left hand, she

can't open it. I help her bat and open it so she can learn to do that. She likes batting now."

In the process, Conti has gained some valuable lessons as well. "I appreciate things more; the gifts that I have," said Conti. "I used to be an impatient and stubborn person at times but this has taught me that I need to be patient."

The buddies are certainly appreciated by Deborah Martin Norcross, a local attorney and the Co-President of PSS. "We couldn't do the program if we didn't have the buddies, they are really the foundation of it all," said Norcross, noting that PSS has soccer and basketball programs in addition to baseball. "You couldn't have 50 players and four adults out there. We have about 60 buddies that come for some of the sports and I would like to add about 20 more."

The players get a special charge out of working with the buddies. "A lot of the players need to work on their social skills," said Norcross, pointing out that the players have a range of needs with some having physical disabilities and others having cognitive or attention-related disorders.

"Having kids close to their age working with them really helps. One of the things parents tell me is some of the players go to the same schools as the buddies and that they are high-fiving when they see each other in the hallways."

The buddies are certainly getting rewards for their efforts. "It's fun for them, I think it's a confidence builder," asserted Norcross. "I think it teaches the buddies that just because somebody appears different from you when it gets right down to it they aren't so different. The buddies may be awkward about the idea of it but once they get here and they are dealing with the players one-on-one, they realize it's like dealing with a younger brother or sister."

Conti, for her part, can't think of anywhere else she'd rather be on a Sunday afternoon.

"Giving back to your community is really special, the players really appreciate it," asserted Conti. "You can be having a bad day and then come here and it becomes the best day you've ever had."

—Bill Alden



MAKING STRIDES: Rebecca Conti, left, and Jacqueline Perlman round the bases together at a Community Park diamond during a recent baseball session held by Princeton Special Sports (PSS). Conti serves as a "buddy" for PSS, a volunteer organization created to give special needs children ages 4-18 the chance to play youth sports in a setting tailored to their abilities.



SPECIAL INSTRUCTION: Manya Anwar, center, receives some hands-on instruction from John Pecora, right, and Katherine Mooney, left, as she improves her skills through Princeton Special Sports (PSS). Pecora serves as a coach and Co-President for PSS while Mooney is a "buddy" in the program. PSS holds baseball, soccer, and basketball programs open to special needs children in the area.

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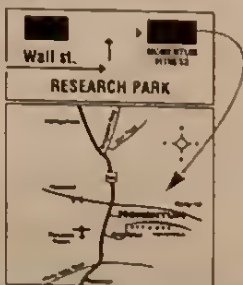
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BOY AMONG MEN: Princeton High junior basketball star Joe Rogers drives to the basket in action last season. This summer, Rogers and some of his PHS teammates are learning some valuable lessons as they play for the Princeton Youth Sports (PYS) entry in the Princeton Recreation Department Men's Summer Basketball League. Last week, Rogers poured in a game-high 22 points as PYS lost 52-40 to Hoagie Haven to drop to 0-3 on the season.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)



SUMMER SCHOOL: Princeton High boys' basketball head coach Dave Kosa makes a point during a timeout last season. Looking to toughen up his young squad, Kosa has players competing as Princeton Youth Sports team in Princeton Recreation Department Men's Summer Basketball League. The Little Tigers are applying the lessons they are learning from battling the men through competing in the Allentown high school summer league.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

PYS Squad Taking Lumps in Summer Hoops But PHS Program Should Benefit in Long Run

Dave Kosa was in mid-season form last week as he coached his Princeton Youth Sports (PYS) team against Hoagie Haven in the Princeton Recreation Department Men's Summer Basketball League.

Kosa, the Princeton High boys' basketball head coach, was a bundle of energy on the sidelines of the steamy John Witherspoon gym as he called out defenses, cajoled his players, and greeted good execution with loud clapping.

In Kosa's view, getting the most of his PYS squad, which is comprised of PHS hoops players, will help the high school program's learning curve.

"This league is great because we're learning to compete for a full 32 minutes," said Kosa, noting that with the summer league games being 40 minutes long, his players get even more chances to gain vital experience. "We're learning that we can't take any plays off. The main reason we got into this was to get mentally and physically tougher."

men and against Division I players."

While PYS will take its lumps in the Rec Department league, Kosa expects the team to be more competitive as the summer unfolds.

"The first two games we played were one-sided," said Kosa, whose team gave Hoagie Haven a battle before succumbing 52-40. "It took a game or so for us to understand what it takes to compete at this level. We were in striking distance tonight pretty much the whole way."

PYS entered a team in the Rec Department league two summers ago but decided to take a year off in 2005. Kosa decided that the inexperience of the players currently in the program dictated a return to the men's league.

"We had nine seniors graduate from last year's team," explained Kosa, who got 22 points from sharpshooting Joe Rogers in the loss to Hoagie Haven.

"We thought with our youth and inexperience, we needed to mature. We know we're going to be on the losing end of a lot of games here but that's not the main thing. The one thing I want them to do is to compete hard against these guys; that's the way we're going to get better. You see A.J. Dowers banging against bigger guys and Joe Rogers going against quicker guards."

Kosa is confident that having his players be boys among men this summer will pay dividends over the next few winters.

"We're getting there, we're going to have a long haul the next couple of years," asserted Kosa. "We figure the best way to do it is to get them out here right now so next year we'll be better and we'll be even better the following year. The freshman team went 16-5 last year so by the time they're seniors they will have the experience; that's what we'll be relying on."

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MAKING CONTACT: Princeton Senior Babe Ruth shortstop Chris Brooks makes contact during a game last summer. Princeton will be relying on Brooks' savvy at the plate and in the field as it looks to climb up the standings in the Mercer County Senior Babe Ruth league. Through June 28, Princeton stood at 1-1 with several games having been postponed due to inclement weather. In upcoming action, Princeton is slated to play at Lou Gehrig Grey on July 6 before hosting Hopewell Babe Ruth on July 9 at Hilltop Field.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

Senior Babe Ruth Slowed by Rain; Expecting to Catch Fire This July

By late June, the Princeton Senior Babe Ruth team should have played six games.

But with inclement weather wreaking havoc with the schedule, the squad had played just two games as of June 28, splitting them to stand at 1-1.

Princeton manager Scott Goldsmith acknowledged that the frequent cloudbursts that hit the area in the last month have made it difficult for his team to find a rhythm.

"It's been tough," said Goldsmith whose team lost to Lawrence Babe Ruth Red 13-2 in its opener and then came back to beat the same team 14-3 in its second outing. "Games have been cancelled and we've been having trouble getting field use for practices."

Although he hasn't had his team on the field nearly as much as he would've liked, Goldsmith has still seen good things from two of his key veterans, shortstop Chris Brooks and third baseman/first baseman Richie Von der Schmidt.

"Chris started for the Princeton High varsity team this spring and he is fundamentally sound," said Goldsmith, who coaches the PHS junior varsity team in the spring. "It's great to have a vacuum at shortstop. Richie is a big hitter; he went deep with a two-run homer in our win. He has a lot of talent."

Goldsmith believes he has some talent in his mound corps which features Alex Bozich, Will Henry, and Eric Peterson. "Alex is our No. 1 or No. 2 pitcher," said Goldsmith, whose team includes players ages 16-18.

"Alex has good speed and

his mechanics are OK. His delivery is a little slow but we're working on that. He can overpower hitters at times. Will is a very reliable pitcher; he has good control. Eric is also going to get innings."

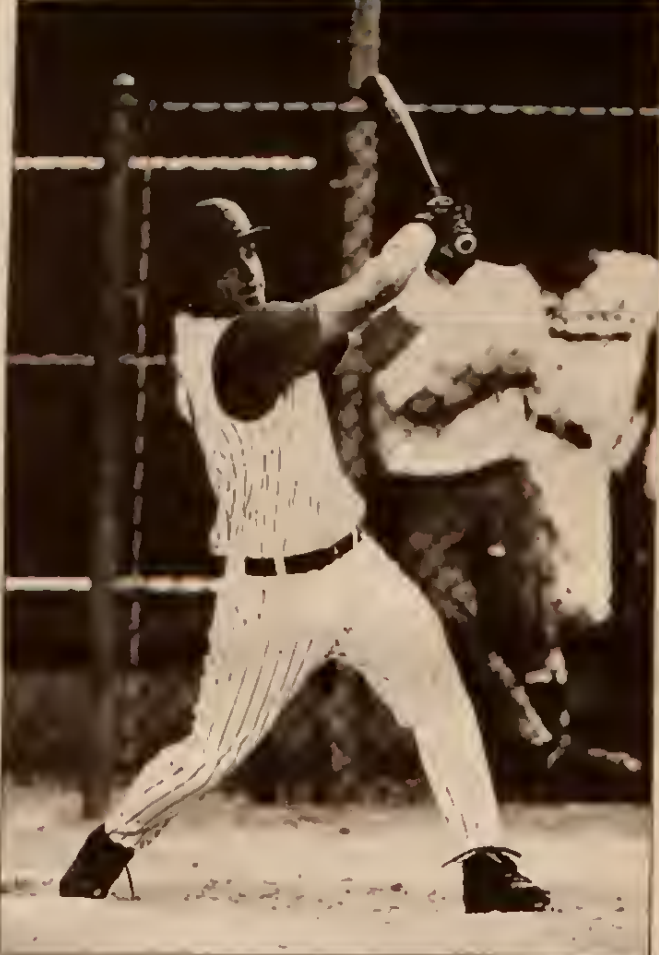
Princeton's pitchers do have the luxury of having a strong defense behind them. "Our defense is the team's main strong point," asserted Goldsmith. "We have used most of the practice time we've had on defense. It's already clicking; we had two double plays in our win."

Goldsmith is hoping his club will click collectively earlier than it did in 2005. "Last year we got hot in the middle of the season," recalled Goldsmith, whose club lost four of its first five games last year before reeling off 10 straight wins to climb into a tie for second in the Mercer County Senior Babe Ruth standings. "We want to start winning earlier."

With Princeton facing a busy schedule in July as it makes up June's postponements, Goldsmith is confident his team can get in sync.

"We have to get together with each other, we need to jell," said Goldsmith, whose team fell in the playoff semifinals last summer. "You have to come to bat in this league, you are facing an ace almost every time out."

Bill Alden



GOING DEEP: Richie Von der Schmidt of the Princeton Senior Babe Ruth team lashes the ball in a game last summer. In recent action, Von der Schmidt clubbed a two-run homer to help Princeton beat Lawrence Babe Ruth Red 14-3.

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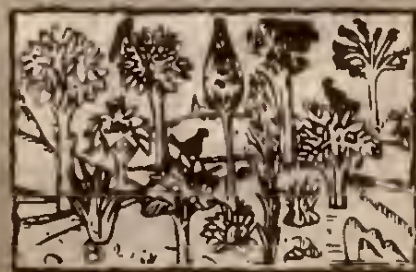
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Princeton Wiffle Ball Tournament Results

The championship series of the 3rd Annual Princeton Wiffle Ball Tournament recently took place with the team of Matt Young and Steve Ether-ton emerging as the champions.

There were 32 Princeton boys, ages 10-16, who competed in the two-man team pool play. The games were played on an "official" wiffle ball field with the outfield fence located 65 feet from home plate.

Eight teams advanced from pool play into the single elimination stage from the pool play. In final four play, the team of Young and Ether-ton defeated Ian Gabriel and Thatcher Foster. Also making the finals was the team of Mike Van Itallie and Cathan Dawar which beat Nick Haft and Danny Powell.

In the best-of three game series, the Young/Ether-ton team swept Van Itallie/Dawar games to none. Ether-ton hit 2 homers in extra innings of the first game which went 22 innings (instead of the regulation four innings). Van Itallie starred for the losing squad, recording 38 strikeouts.

Meghan Leddy Achieves Olympic Qualifying Time

Community Park Bluefish standout Meghan Leddy achieved her second Olympic Trials qualifying time at a meet held recently at Rutgers University.

Leddy, who is also a member of the Eastern Express Swim Team, clocked a 4:54.12 in the 400 individual medley at the meet and is now eligible to compete in both the 200 backstroke and the 400 IM at the next Olympic Trials competition.

Leddy, a student at Montgomery High, will continue her training over the next two years for the Olympic Trials, which are scheduled to be held in July, 2008 in Omaha, Neb. That meet will decide the team that will represent the U.S. at the 2008 Summer Olympics in Beijing, China.

Competing at national level meets is not new to Leddy who in late March traveled with Eastern Express teammate, Brittany Iacouzze of Princeton Junction, to the USA Swimming National Spring Championship held in Federal Way, Wash. At the National Championship, Leddy had qualified for six different events, and had a full agenda competing in the 400 freestyle, 800 free, 1500 free, 100 backstroke, 200 back, and 400 IM. Leddy's accomplishments at the National Championship included a 7th place overall finish in the 200 pack, and a 15th place finish in the 400 IM.

Iacouzze had also qualified for multiple distance events at the National Championship, and competed in the 400 free, 800 free, 1500 free, and 400 IM. Iacouzze's best finish came in the 800 free where she placed 16th overall.

Currently, both Leddy and Iacouzze are training for two national meets scheduled for this July and August. With other teammates from Eastern Express, Leddy and Iacouzze will be attending USA Swimming's fifth and final Grand Prix meet, the Janet Evans

Invitational, to be held July 13-16 on the campus of Southern Cal in Los Angeles. The 2006 Grand Prix meet circuit consists of five national meets held at various locations across the U.S., and provides swimmers an opportunity to compete against top competition such as Olympians Natalie Coughlin and Michael Phelps.

Leddy and Iacouzze will also be attending the ConocoPhillips National Swimming Championships scheduled to be held August 1-5 in Irvine, Calif.

Post 218 Baseball Falls to Hightstown

In action last week in the Mercer County American Legion League, Princeton Post 218 fell 11-4 to Hightstown. Sean Pucclarelli had two hits and two RBIs to lead Princeton, which fell to 3-4 with the loss.

Summer Youth Hoops Recent Results

In action last Wednesday in the junior division of the Princeton Recreation Department Boys' Summer Basketball League, Larini's topped

Princeton Orthopedics 34-31 as Ben Kalan scored 13 points and Connor McAvonia added six. Elliot Golden paced Princeton Orthopedics with 20 points. McCaffrey's posted a 45-18 win over Franklin & Allison Orchestra, led by Scott Bechler's 15 points and Berendan Yi's eight-point effort. Kyle Moretti and Kolby Simon scored six points each for Franklin and Allison.

In games in the boys' senior division, the Clippers edged the Suns 40-37 as Josh Gordon scored 12 points while Aaron Gyampo scored eight. The Lakers topped the Spurs 45-24 with Skye Ettlin pouring in 17 points and Joe Capon adding eight. William Curran-Groome scored eight to lead the Spurs.

Princeton 12s Edged By Florence

Despite a strong pitching effort by Chris Harwood, the Princeton Little League 12-year-old all stars fell 3-2 to Florence last Wednesday in the opening game of Pool A action in the District 12 Little League tournament.

Harwood pitched a complete game, striking out four and giving up just four hits.



EATING UP THE COMPETITION: Members of the Princeton Piranhas and coaches Kip Hein and Julie Melrs are all smiles after the team produced a strong effort at a recently held four-day meet at the North Baltimore Aquatic Club in Baltimore, Md. Standouts in the 11-12 age group included Douglas McCord, Carly Gurick, and Princeton resident Jack Valente. In the 15 and over boys, Brandon Hullings performed well. The Princeton Piranhas are a newly formed USA swim team and train at the Pennington School pool.

Alex Kim and David Bronsteen had RBIs to account for Princeton's runs.

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OBITUARIES



John T. O'Neil Jr.

John Tettemer "Jack" O'Neil Jr., 67, a long-time resident of Princeton, died suddenly of a heart attack April 5 at his winter home in Key Biscayne, Fla.

He was born in Bethlehem, Pa., the son of Katherine McCloskey and John O'Neil.

He married his college sweetheart, Jacqueline "Jack-

ie" Meier, in 1960. He raised his family in Princeton because of his attachment to his alma mater, Princeton University.

He earned his Ph.D. in computer science from the University of Pennsylvania.

He did research in mathematics while working at RCA's David Sarnoff Research Center in Princeton, and held management positions at RCA Computer Center and Exxon Office Systems. An entrepreneur, he interrupted his research and Ph.D. studies to found Princeton Time Sharing Systems before returning to RCA and finishing his doctorate. Although the startup ran out of money he remained undeterred, subsequently founding Xonex, part of Exxon Office Systems, and Princeton Graphic Systems, the first company to manufacture PC color monitors.

An avid golfer, he was a member of the Springdale, Cherry Valley, and Jasna Polana golf clubs.

After his retirement in 1994, he and his wife commuted annually between Princeton and Key Biscayne as "snow birds" spending the winter months with his daughter Molly's family and playing golf. He also enjoyed sailing and other hobbies including

seashell collecting. His passion remained mathematical research, and he worked many hours on math problems. He was about to publish new results in prime number theory at the time of his death.

Predeceased by a son, John Tettemer O'Neil III, in 1989, he is survived by his wife, Jackie; two daughters, Katherine Eden of Chapel Hill, N.C. and Molly Baringer of Key Biscayne; two sisters, Barbara O'Neil and Katherine O'Neil; and five grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held in Miller Chapel, Princeton Theological Seminary, on Sunday, July 16 at 1:30 p.m.

Yota Switzgable

Yota Switzgable, 80, of New Brunswick, formerly of Princeton, died June 29 at St. Peters in New Brunswick.

Born Panayota Stefanis to Greek immigrant parents in Derby, Conn., she attended New York University and Michigan University, where she received a B.A. in sociology. She later received master's degrees in psychology and education from Trenton State College.

A teacher, realtor, mother, sister, and friend, she is survived by two daughters, Kimberly and Meg; and a sister, Elaine Jerome.

A celebratory funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. on July 7 at The Kimble Funeral Home.

Charles W. Marker

Charles W. Marker, 95, of Penney Farms, Fla., formerly of Princeton, died June 23.

Born and raised on Staten Island, N.Y., he married Bertha (Bert) Bauer following a college courtship.

After graduation from Nyack College he pursued courses at Tennent College, Temple University and Princeton Seminary. He received a B.D. (M. Div.) from the University of London. A Th.M. from Princeton put him on the threshold of a Ph.D. from the University of London. He had been accepted as a doctoral candidate and his field of inquiry approved, with research on the dissertation begun, when the priorities of his busy church in Moorestown led him to lay aside this academic goal.

He joined the Southern New Jersey Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church in 1940. He served two years as pastor at Groveville, eight at Pearson Memorial in Trenton, 14 at Princeton, and six at Moorestown before becoming Superintendent of the Conference's Northeast District in 1970. After six years as District Superintendent, he served three years as pastor at Pittman.

He served as a member or chairman of a number of Conference boards and agencies including Education, Missions, Ministry, Church, Society, and Worship.

His interests included scuba diving, which he taught for the Princeton Family YMCA, hiking and natural science when he served on the YMCA staff at Silver Bay Conference Center for many summers, and running. He participated in eleven marathons, including five in Boston.

He retired and moved to the Penney Retirement Community in Penney Farms in 1986. His first wife, Bert, died in 1993.

He is survived by his second wife, Marjory Kapenga Marker; a daughter, Carol Conover; a son, Bruce; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

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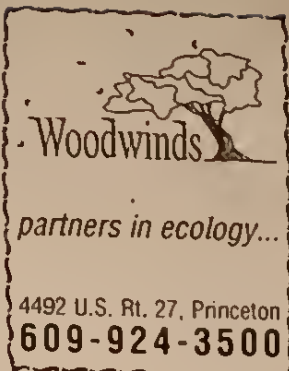
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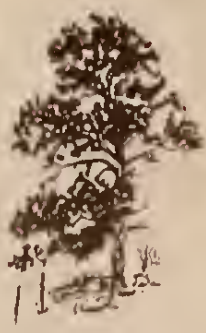
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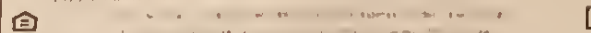
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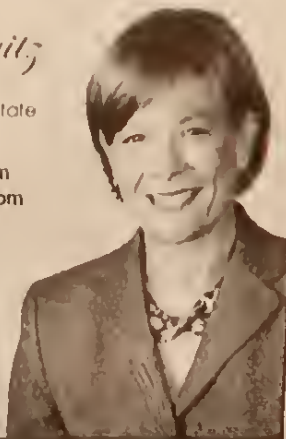
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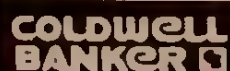
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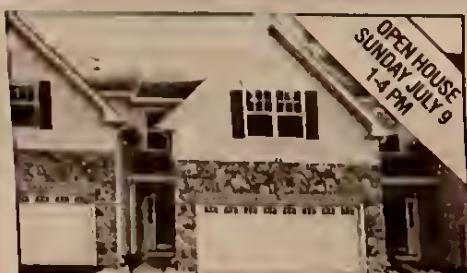
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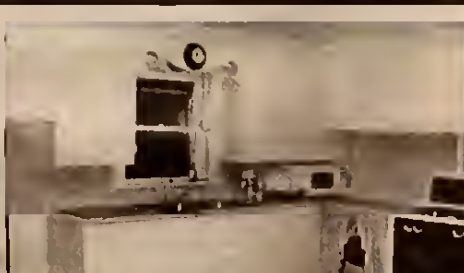
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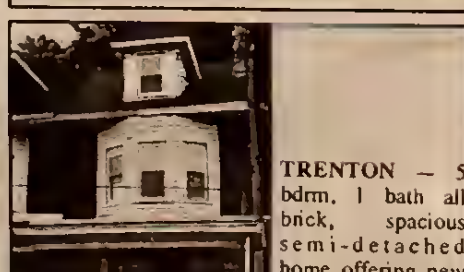
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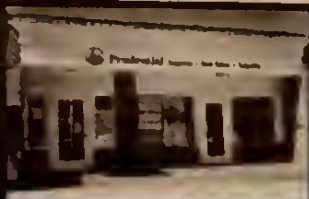
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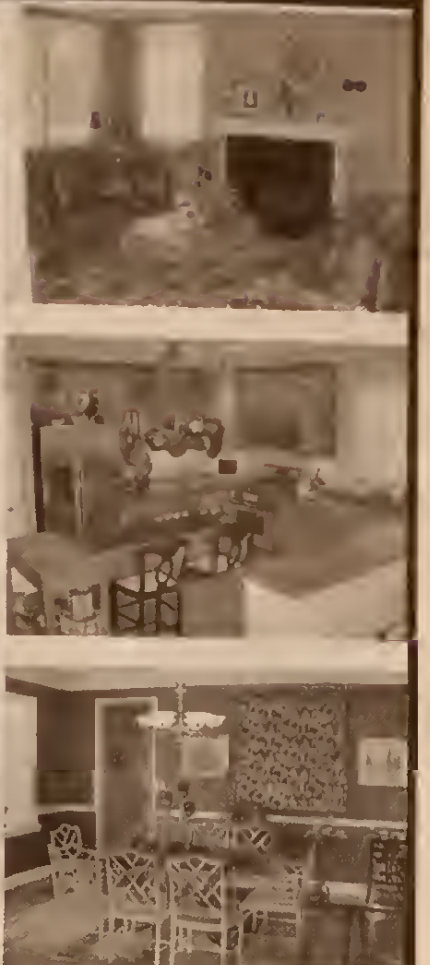
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